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[illegible] WASHINGTON.

[illegible] Affairs of Mr. [illegible]—Personal Affairs [illegible] Government for Minnesota—[illegible]

[illegible] to the New-York Daily Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

[illegible] Election of Kansas will create much excitement [illegible] all parties. Many of the [illegible] are decidedly grieving,—many others are [illegible] it with pleased acquiescence, and the opposition [illegible].

[illegible] of Mr. BUCHANAN's first movement of [illegible] to the Presidency argues badly.

[illegible] personal rencontre took place on the floor of the House to-day between GARRETTSON, of Ohio [illegible] it is understood that Rose was angered [illegible] pressure of the previous question on the passage to the Committee of the Whole, [illegible] it was a mere trick, or something to [illegible] of a duel, of course, but the affair [illegible].

[illegible] over their Investigating Committee [illegible] that the Committee is respectably [illegible] and numerous information which, if received, [illegible] the investigation over a [illegible] year.

There are various floating threats of a purpose to crush the Times correspondent, all which will be of no avail. I reached here this morning from New-York [illegible] I had been on business, when I learned [illegible] that I had left the city to evade the [illegible] had been industriously circulated, and [illegible] Sergeant-at-Arms had gone to New-York for the Times letter and myself.

The Committee on Territories have agreed to report a bill [illegible] the people of Minnesota to form a State Government. It will provide [illegible] of the Territory, and give the State [illegible], and such additional as the population of the State by the census shall be entitled to under the present rate of representation. S.

The Force of Rumor's Bullets—The Investigating Committee—Ocean Mail Steamers [illegible]—Kansas Affairs.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The news of the election of CAMERON as Senator in Pennsylvania over FORNEY was received while the House was in session. The intelligence was received, and occasioned much excitement every-[illegible]. The Opposition members are delighted, and are [illegible] heartily congratulating one another on the [illegible].

[illegible] of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House left [illegible] for New-York, to summon witnesses to [illegible] before the Committee to investigate alleged [illegible]. Several members of the House will be [illegible] to-morrow.

[illegible] of Ocean Mail Steamers is one which [illegible], not only of the House Committee [illegible] Post-Office and Post Roads, but of other [illegible] of Congress. The Committee met for consideration on Friday night, not in Commodore VANDERBILT's room, at Brown's Hotel; as has been [illegible], but at the room of Mr. WARNER, one of the Committee, [illegible] are by no means agreed as to what [illegible] upon the subject. The merits [illegible] will, it is ascertained, be duly [illegible] considered, and this must necessarily [illegible] time. It is said that both Messrs. COLFAX [illegible] were present with the Committee [illegible] above-named occasion. One of the members of the Committee, this morning, stated, as [illegible] that they will report a bill authorizing the [illegible] for carrying the mail in ocean steamers, [illegible] by any European Government to our [illegible].

Mr. FAY has, however, kept the Administration fully advised relative to events in Switzerland, and it would be willing at any time to interpose its good offices [illegible] behalf of Switzerland, so far as propriety and our national policy of non-interference in European affairs would admit.

It has been ascertained from a gentleman of [illegible] credibility residing in Kansas, that [illegible] speculation in the Kaw half-breed lands are contemplated by certain parties in Lawrence, at least ninety persons having enrolled their [illegible] for that purpose. A similar organization exists in Lawrence, where [illegible] are being made for the erection of a [illegible] on the Pottawatomie Reservation. [illegible] Governor GRATZ will be [illegible] invested with power to prevent such illegal [illegible] as in the case of the anticipated [illegible] of the tribe of whites at Weston, Mo., who are preparing to swarm to the Shawnee Reservation.

Eight thousand dollars will be required to pay three [illegible] of Kansas militia employed in the late disturbances in that Territory. The returns of the [illegible] have not yet been received at the War Department.

Letters from Gov. GRATZ confirm the reports of perfect quietude in Kansas.

Mr. GARRETT of Ohio, having to-day successfully [illegible] the previous question on referring the President's Annual Message to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, wishing to proceed to the consideration of the Tariff Bill, many gentlemen who wanted to make speeches have been cut off, although they endeavored in vain to dissuade him from pressing his motion. Mr. BOYD made some remarks rather tartly in condemnation of the course of Mr. GARRETT, in thus cutting off debate, and was replied to by Mr. CAMPBELL in a similar spirit. The [illegible] of but a moment's duration and ended [illegible], but it affords the foundation for much [illegible] and gloomy forebodings of disagreeable events not likely to occur.

The Cabinet does not, at the close of his Administration, contemplate a Southern tour, but will leave [illegible] shortly proceeding to Cuba, for the benefit of Mrs. PIERCE's health.

XXXIVth Congress---Second Session.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 12.

THE IOWA ELECTION CASE.

On motion of Mr. SEWARD a copy of the proceedings of yesterday, declaring Mr. HARLAN not entitled to a seat, were ordered to be transmitted to the Governor of Iowa.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.

Mr. GWIN reported back from the Post-Office Committee, without amendment, the Submarine Telegraph Bill, and it was made the special order for to-morrow.

THE BREECH CLAIM ALLOWED.

There was a long debate in the Senate on the House Bill for the relief of HARRY BREECH, proposing to pay him the balance due from the Government for his services in carrying the mails, with interest from December, 1845. The case has been before Congress for twelve or fifteen years, and was favorably reported on by the Court of Claims. The bill passed by a vote of 33 against 15, after an amendment striking out the "allowance for interest." Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

SHIPWRECKS.

Mr. MORGAN offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the Committee on Commerce to inquire and report what additional means, if any, are necessary to prevent loss of life and preservation from shipwreck on the Long Island and New-Jersey coasts.

THE MESSAGE.

The Congressional consideration of the President's message.

Mr. PENNINGTON said there has been great agitation among the people, which still continues, and no wonder. In his judgment the President has violated the high trust confided to him. He thought it right the people should agitate for the correction of abuses committed by their public agents, and believed with Burke, that when there are abuses there ought to be clamor, because it were better slumber should be broken by the fire-bell than that we should be consumed in the flames. The President has advanced the proposition that the several States of the Union have the prescriptible and constitutional right to traffic in slaves, not only within, but without their respective jurisdictions.

Having inaugurated that policy in Kansas by which the soil has been cursed with the menacles and the feet of bondmen, and stained with the blood of murder and assassination, the President, with audacity unparalleled, came here to deprecate agitation and demand acquiescence in his policy, as a test of fidelity to the Constitution and the Union. In order to enforce such acquiescence as a duty, the President undertook a defence of the repeal of the Missouri restriction and an exposition of the principles of the Constitution and the rights of the States under it. Passing his argument on those premises, Mr. BINGHAM argued earnestly against the position assumed by the President on the slavery question.

The Message was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union.

A bill for reducing the duty on imports, and for other purposes, was taken up in Committee, Mr. HUGHES MARSHALL in the Chair.

Mr. CAMPBELL, of Ohio, did not propose at this time to enter into any argument on the subject, believing that all which could be said on both sides had been better said heretofore. It had been charged, and would be again, that a majority of the Committee on Ways and Means, simply by extending the free list did so for the purpose of cursing up protection. He now made an open avowal that they do mean to give, incidentally, protection to various branches of American industry, by extending the list of free articles; and by way of fortifying themselves for so doing, he would simply refer the gentlemen to the preamble of the first Tariff law which passed Congress. That preamble read—"Wherefore, it is necessary for the support of Government, the discharge of the debts of the United States, and the encouragement and protection of manufactures," &c. That law was passed by the very men who framed the Constitution, and signed the Declaration of American Independence. The principle of protection has been recognized in every tariff act since 1787 to the present time, not excepting the tariff act of 1846. Mr. BUCHANAN, the President elect, together with the leaders of the Democratic Party, supported it. That act acknowledged the principles of protection, and so did the substitute prepared by his colleague, Mr. LETCHER, on the Committee of Ways and Means. There was no proposition from any source, excepting that submitted by Mr. BOYD, which met fairly in the face the distinction between a tariff for revenue and a tariff with discrimination for the purpose of protection. But he would not enter into details. The bill which was before the Committee was reported last Summer; since which time, the Committee which presented it, have received from various quarters, useful information bearing on the details of the bill. They had endeavored to perfect the measure, but have not yet completed all the details. There was but one section which provided for a reduction of the revenue by increasing the free list alone. Were it passed into law, it would reduce the annual revenue $5,000,000 directly, and perhaps from $4,000,000 to $5,000,000 indirectly. He would state, in this connection, and before a final vote shall be taken, that a majority of the Committee of Ways and Means desire to avail themselves of such additional information as they may receive during the progress of the discussions. With a view to accomplish the bill with a second section, the chief purpose of which will be to simplify the collection of the revenue by reducing the number of schedules, thereby assessing the expenses of Custom-Houses, and still further reducing the revenue of the country, he could only now say, in general terms, that the Committee contemplate bringing down the high schedules and either abolish or raise the low one.

Mr. FLORENCE gave notice of an amendment, namely: "That all goods or articles of manufacture unfinished, and generally denominated or known as goods in the gray, greasy, of which the tissues are combed wool, and of which the chain and filling are wool, such as merinoes, muslin de laine, cashmeres and satins; and also those, the tissues of which and the chain is of silk, and the filling of wool, such as bareges and satins, be hereafter admitted on paying a duty of ten per cent. *ad valorem*."

Mr. MORRILL also offered an amendment: "That any wool or hair of the alpaca, the goat, and other like animals, which shall be changed in its character for the purpose of evading the duty; or which shall be cleaned or purified, or assorted, so as to raise its value at the port of importation, to fifty cents per pound, or over; or which shall be reduced in value by the adhesion of dirt or any foreign substance, to fifteen cents per pound, or less, shall be subject to pay a duty of ten per cent."

Mr. BOWIE spoke in support of the views expressed by the President in his Annual Message: It was not only the duty of, but the President would have been a traitor to the country if he had not sounded a bugle note to warn his fellow-citizens of the dangers of the insidious warfare to be renewed by the Republican Party. Mr. BOWIE, in the name of all true patriots, thanked the President for the sentiments enunciated in his Message.

The Committee then rose. Adjourned.

United States Senators Elected.

ELECTION OF A REPUBLICAN SENATOR FROM PENNSYLVANIA.

HARRISBURG, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

A joint Convention of the Pennsylvania Legislature met at noon to-day, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator. Gen. SIMON CAMERON was chosen on the first ballot, the vote being: CAMERON, 67; FORNEY, 58; FOSTER, 7. Mr. WILKINS also received one vote, that of Mr. FOSTER. Three Democrats voted for CAMERON.

The announcement of the vote was received with prolonged applause from the galleries.

Mr. BROWNS presented a protest against the legality of the proceedings, which is understood to refer to the proceedings of the Senate, in not electing a teller at least one day before the election, according to law.

Messrs. BALL and PENROSE objected to receiving the protest, on the ground that the Convention kept no journal.

Pending the question, Mr. PENROSE moved to adjourn, which was lost by a tie vote—yeas 66, nays 66.

Mr. BROWNS's motion was then discussed at some length by various members, and finally ruled out of order. The Convention then adjourned.

Upon the return of the Senators to their Chamber, Mr. BROWNS gave notice that he would to-morrow present a protest against the legality of the election.

The result was wholly unexpected by the Democrats, and has caused the greatest indignation.

There are great rejoicings by the Republicans at the election of CAMERON, and guns are firing at Capitol Hill. Mr. CAMERON is here receiving congratulations.

Dispatch to the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

HARRISBURG, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

After a morning of unparalleled excitement, the great struggle is over, and SIMON CAMERON is chosen United States Senator from Pennsylvania, for six years from the 4th of March, 1857.

Mr. BUCHANAN's recommendation had no effect, and party drill was powerless. The Forney letter, and the thousand other acts of the Democratic caucus nominee, told upon the members of the Legislature, and a decided majority has declared Mr. BUCHANAN's pet, and the nominee of the Democratic caucus, not fit to represent Pennsylvania in the United States Senate.

The vote, in Convention of the two Houses, stood, on the first ballot, as follows:

For Simon Cameron, Republican	67
For John W. Forney, Democratic Caucus Nominee	58
For Henry D. Foster, Democrat	7
For William Wilkins, Democrat	1

This was a majority of 1 for CAMERON, over the combined opposition. The Buchanan men feel this rebuke keenly, though there can scarcely be a respectable man, in any party, that does not rejoice at the result.

The *Bulletin* has the following editorial remarks in [illegible]

[illegible] JOHN W. FORNEY. There was general rejoicing that there was virtue enough in the Legislature to preserve the State from the disgrace of such a choice as that of the caucus nominee. We have no time to comment on this happy result, but we must express our own satisfaction, as well as that of this entire community, with the course of General FOSTER and his friends, who had the manliness and courage to resist, not only the dictation of a servile majority in the party caucus, but the dictation also of power in the person of the President elect. To them, mainly, does the credit of this fortunate result belong.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The Keystone Club of this City will hold an indignation meeting to-morrow evening.

ELECTION OF A SENATOR FROM MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Tuesday, Jan. 12.

The Missouri Legislature in joint convention yesterday elected JAMES S. GREEN United States Senator, on the first ballot. The vote stood: GREEN, 69; BENTON, 34; KENNETT, 33. This election is for the short term, that for the full term not having yet taken place.

NEW-YORK LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The Special Committee on the Temperance question, composed of Messrs. Bradford, Rider, Hotchkiss, Brooks, Wadsworth, and C. P. Smith, presented the memorial of the Chamber of Commerce, praying for a modification of the Usury laws.

The following bills were reported favorably:

By Mr. STRANGE, to increase the number of Trustees of the Atlantic-street Baptist Church, Brooklyn, the Orphan Home Society, and the Female Guardian Society.

By Mr. BROOKS, the Brooklyn Water Bill.

By C. P. SMITH, to incorporate the Atlantic Navigation Company.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. BROOKS, to amend the charter of the Insurance Asylum.

To authorize the Trustees of Columbia College to sell and hold real estate.

By Mr. RIKER, to incorporate the Staten Island Savings Bank.

Relative to the Flushing Female College.

J. A. SMITH, to authorize payment for labor done and materials furnished on the State Canals.

By Mr. KELLY, amending the law relative to the taxation of incorporated companies.

By Mr. RICHARDSON, to regulate the interest on money notices.

By Mr. SPENCER, to build a residence for the Governor.

By Mr. C. P. SMITH, to change the name of the Cemetery of Evergreens.

Relative to the Assessment and Collection of Taxes in Brooklyn.

Providing for an Election for Register of Deeds in King's County.

A resolution was introduced by Mr. CUTLER repealing the property qualification clause in regard to colored voters in the State Constitution.

The Harbor Commission bill was received from the Assembly and sent to the Governor for signature.

The special order—the case of BARR vs. SICKLES—was considered, after which the Senate adjourned.

ASSEMBLY....ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

Under the general orders, the bills to amend the Brooklyn Firemen's act, and to enable the Brooklyn Court of Sessions to hold terms, were passed.

Mr. VARNUM presented a monster petition, signed by many thousand citizens of New-York, for a sanitary police; also a memorial from RICHARD G. HUNT claiming the seat occupied by ERASTUS W. GLOVER, on the ground that Mr. GLOVER is not a resident of the Assembly District for which he was elected. Laid on the table.

In presenting the memorial Mr. VARNUM stated that he did not believe the memorialist had any good ground for contesting the seat.

Petitions for a prohibitory liquor law; for aid to agricultural Societies, and the Memorial of the Veterans of 1812, asking for relief, were presented.

A resolution for forming a sub-Committee of the Whole as now, as a Standing Committee was called up and adopted.

Notice was given of a bill to authorize the Staten Island Railroad Company to run ferry-boats out of the Twelfth and Nineteenth Wards in New-York.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. MULLIGAN, relative to supplies for the support of the poor in the public institutions of Kings County.

In relation to the election of the Superintendent of the Poor of Kings County.

The former gives the Supervisors power to contract for all supplies.

By Mr. VARNUM, to authorize parties to suits to appear as witnesses in their own behalf or otherwise.

By Mr. GUNSON, prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors to be drank on the premises, and imposing a fine for selling it to apprentices or minors, under eighteen years of age, or giving liquor to intoxicated persons. It authorizes public notices not to sell on the complaint of a wife or other relative of a drunkard. It prevents recovery of debts for liquor, and the bill is, in effect, prohibitory of the sale of liquor.

Mr. FLOYD JONES introduced a resolution declaring it to be inexpedient to present any prohibitory liquor law, but directing the Special Committee on Temperance to prepare a stringent license law. Laid over.

The Indian Bill and papers of last session were taken from the files.

A motion for the appointment of a special Committee of seven in relation to the Code, was laid over. Adjourned.

MR. PETTY'S AMENDED CHARTER.

The amended Charter introduced by Mr. PETTY, for the benefit of the much-abused inhabitants of the City of New-York, provides that the Government shall still continue under the name of "The Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of New-York," and by that name have perpetual succession and be able to sue and be sued, &c., &c. It proposes a Board of Councilmen, fifteen in number, to be elected from five Council Districts, and a Board of Aldermen to be elected one from each Ward. Three Councilmen are to be elected at the first election, and then to be classified, one Councilman in each District to be elected annually after the — day of April next. The Aldermen to be elected annually. The Municipal year to commence on the 1st day of July of each year. The Board of Aldermen to originate all money bills, except those provided for by State laws, but the Council Board have power to amend or reject any bill. The respective Boards to hold their sessions monthly, but are restricted to eight days' pay. The Comptroller, Corporation Counsel, Street Commissioner, Commissioner of Repairs and Supplies, City Inspector and a President, Engineer and Commission, (to constitute the Croton Board,) are to be appointed by the Mayor, by and with the advice and consent of the Board of Council. The remainder of the bill is mainly directory as to the duties of the various heads of the departments, nearly similar in detail to the provisions of the Charter of 1850.

Message of Governor Bissell, of Illinois.

CHICAGO, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

Governor BISSELL and Lieutenant-Governor WOOD took the oath of office yesterday.

The Governor, in his inaugural, concurs in the suggestions and recommendations of his predecessor; recommends an amendment of the banking law; also, in connection with the new apportionment of representation in the Legislature, an increase of representatives; considers the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska bill equivalent to the recognition of Slavery as a leading element in the society of the Republic; states that he has resisted this consummation, and, ever mindful of the value of the Union, the obligations to the Constitution, and the courtesies due to his brethren of the South, he shall continue to resist it to the best of his ability.

New-Jersey Legislature.

TRENTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The Legislature of New-Jersey organized today. A. R. SPEE, Democrat, of Middlesex, was chosen President of the Senate, and Mr. CHAMBERLIN, Democrat, of Hunterdon, Secretary. ANDREW DUTCHER, Democrat, of Mercer, was elected Speaker of the House, and WILLIAM DERMAN, of Gloucester, Clerk.

United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

Case No. 83.—*Wesley Williams*, Garishee of BENJAMIN S. MANGUM, vs. *Hill, McKean & Co.*—Judge CAMPBELL delivered an opinion affirming the judgment of the United States Court of the Middle District of Alabama, with costs and interest.

No. 22.—*Jean Louis Prevost* vs. *Charles E. Greenleaf*, State Treasurer of Louisiana.—Judge TANEY delivered an opinion affirming the judgment of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, with costs.

No. 44 continued.—The argument was concluded by Hon. REVERDY JOHNSON for plaintiff.

No. 45.—*John Browne* vs. *Duchesne*.—Argued for defendant, and submitted on a printed argument for plaintiff.

Large Fire in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The lumber yards of Messrs. HERBERT DAVIS & Co., and GAVITT & DURNEE, on the Schuylkill Canal, were destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is about $60,000. The fire in both cases was the work of an incendiary.

Accident on a Sound Steamer.

BOSTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The steamer *State of Maine* broke her piston last night off Stratford, and was towed into Bridgeport by the steamer *Worcester*, which brought on her passengers, the train arriving here this afternoon.

Marine Disasters.

LOSS OF THE SCHOONER JOHN G. HECKER, ETC.

HALIFAX, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The schooner *John G. Hecker*, from New-York for London, was abandoned at sea and sunk shortly afterward, on Dec. 22. The captain and crew arrived at St. Thomas on the 26th.

NORFOLK, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The schooner *Ann Eliza*, from James River, bound for New-York, put in here dismasted.

The schooner *John R. Redner*, from Baltimore, bound for New-York, with a cargo of wood, put in leaking.

The schooner *R. C. Stanwood*, from Jamaica, bound for Baltimore, with cargo of logwood and rum, put in dismasted.

The Southern Mail.

BALTIMORE, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

New-Orleans papers of Wednesday have been received. The French steamer *Jacquard* had arrived at New-Orleans.

Amusements.

GERMAN OPERA.—After innumerable disappointments, LORTZING's comic Opera, the "Czar and the Carpenter," was produced here last night. There was a good attendance and the Opera passed off pleasantly.

This is an Opera by a composer who had all the elements of greatness, but who unfortunately was cut off in his career before these elements reached maturity, and blossomed in complete works. LORTZING's ideas have the rare merit of being German, relieved occasionally by a dash of French gaiety, but otherwise essentially Teutonic. There are portions of this comic Opera which have not been excelled on any lyric stage, and there are portions which are emphatically common-place. It is an interesting but unequal work. The plot is familiar to American Theatres, being the same as the "Burgomaster of Saardam."

The performance lacked completeness in almost every essential, but there was a laudable effort on the part of the artists to do the best they could, and such efforts seldom go unrewarded. Some of the concerted pieces were excellently rendered and merited the encore they received. The opera has been effectively placed on the stage, and achieved a decided success.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.—A charming rural piece called "Rachel the Reaper," and founded on a nouvelette by CHARLES READE, was produced here on Monday night, and repeated last night with merited applause. It depends mainly on the acting of Miss KEENE and Mr. WERATLINGK for the quiet attractiveness which it undoubtedly possesses. In deep-toned pictures of rustic life, Miss KEENE has no equal in New-York. Mr. WERATLINGK, as the poor old soldier, *Corporal Patrick*, gave another indication of his versatility and artistic powers. It was a superb performance.

The piece has been placed on the stage with care, and merits success.

BURTON'S THEATRE.—SHAKESPEARE's comedy of "Much Ado About Nothing," was brought out here last night for the purpose of introducing Mr. BELTON—a Boston artist—to a New-York public. The comedy was feebly cast, and it is unnecessary to say more save as concerns Mr. BELTON. This gentleman is well built, and good looking. He has plenty of dash and spirit and walks the stage as if it belonged to him, planks, nails, gas-lights, orchestra and all. His voice is strong and flexible, and in accordance with Boston fashion he uses it gustily. We are disposed to think that Mr. BELTON is a very valuable addition to Mr. BURTON's company—the extreme mediocrity of which needs some new infusion of talent and youth.

News from Mexico.

MANIFESTO OF ALVAREZ—ENGAGEMENT IN ORIZABA—THE PRONUNCIAMIENTO AT SAN LUIS POTOSI—DEPREDATIONS OF ROBBERS, ETC.

By an arrival at New-Orleans we have Tampico dates to Dec. 26, giving seven days' later advices from the city of Mexico.

Everything was quiet in the city of Mexico. Gen. ALVAREZ had issued a document addressed to the people, declaring his intention to support the Administration of President COMONFORT as the only Government likely to restore peace and prosperity to Mexico.

An engagement had taken place in Orizaba between the Government troops and a revolutionary force, in which the latter were defeated, losing their artillery and munitions of war.

The reestablishment of peace, says the *Union*, meets the approbation of the inhabitants of Tampico, as it will bind closer the Supreme Government and the frontier States, restore business and offer a better prospect of defence against the incursions of the savages. If these reasons for welcoming the close of a civil war appear less patriotic than selfish, they are at least practical and sensible.

The statement that the capital of San Luis Potosi had pronounced against the General Government is confirmed. The movement took place on the 19th of December, with General CALVO at its head. The brigades of ROSAS and ECHAGARAY, with few exceptions, took part with the pronunciados. A letter states that everything was in disorder, and that the rebels were not strong enough to compel those to join them who did not choose to do so, and that two bodies of troops escaped from the city in the commencement. Governor AGUIRRE had been deposed, and Don JUAN ORTON placed in his stead.

On the 11th ult., Don JOAQUIN ORZHUELA, leader of the revolutionary forces in Puebla, was shot, in according with his sentence.

The fate of ORZHUELA is commented on as of absolute necessity to the safety of the country. It is intimated that the Government has hitherto acted with too much leniency, and that the strong arm of the law is required to put down all such nefarious attempts.

A casual correspondent from Tampico writes to the New-Orleans *Picayune* in the following gloomy terms of the condition of commercial affairs:

All intercourse is now closed between this and the interior markets, in consequence of the predatory parties in possession of the roads, clothed with full powers from GARZA to seize and carry into the city of Victoria all merchandise found on the way hence to San Luis Potosi, and some important seizures have actually been made, the goods condemned and sold at public auction to create a fund to raise a force for the express purpose of reoccupying this city. In these matters the commercial men are the only sufferers, because both parties of political disputants invariably count the cost to be incurred during their controversy, from import and international duties, regardless, at the same time, as to the security given to the importer, after they are in possession of his money.

We are now in dread of the return of GARZA to this place, with a force from the North, and should his projected attack on this place be attended with success, we have reason to apprehend that neither life nor property will be safe, unless a powerful barrier is placed against him by a foreign armed force.

Assault on Shipboard.

Captain MAYO, of the ship *Anglo-Saxon*, recently arrived at this port from Calcutta, was arrested yesterday by U. S. Deputy Marshal HOUZOU, on a charge of having committed a violent assault upon CHRISTIAN PETERSON, the second mate of the vessel. The assault is alleged to have been committed with a martin-spike. The Captain gave bail in the sum of $1,000, to answer the charge before a U. S. Commissioner.

☞ Dudley Observatory is emphatically in luck. Everybody gives to it; everybody praises it. In addition to all the donations in its aid before reported, the Albany papers add the following:

"WILLIAM H. DE WITT, Esq., of this city, has made another donation of $1,500 to this Institution. ALANSON SUMNER, Esq., of this city, has also contributed $500 to the same object. $25,000, we understand, has been raised since the inauguration in August."

THE SWISS AMONG US.—Some excitement prevails among the Swiss population here, caused by the position of Prussia and Switzerland. No definite organization has been effected, but it is said to be their intention to organize upon receiving information of any overt act on the part of Prussia and provide means to aid their native land.—*Washington Star.*

The sudden close of navigation has left the town of Denton, Md., almost entirely bare of all kinds of groceries and many other articles entering into daily consumption by families.

TWO WEEKS

LATER FROM CALIFORNIA.

ARRIVAL OF THE GEORGE LAW.

$1,269,177 IN TREASURE.

Highly Important Decision in the Supreme Court.

Unconstitutionality of the State Debt.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST REPUDIATION.

Exposure of the Lemantour Frauds.

LATER FROM THE SEAT OF WAR IN NICARAGUA.

News from New-Granada and the South Pacific.

PROGRESS OF THE REVOLUTION IN PERU.

The United States Mail steamer *George Law*, WM. LEWIS HERNDON, U. S. N., Commander, from Aspinwall Jan. 4, 6 o'clock A. M., with the mails, passengers and treasure for New-York, brought down by steamer *Sonora*, arrived yesterday morning. All well on board; no sickness among the passengers since their leaving San Francisco.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company steamer *Sonora*, W. F. LAFFIDGE, Commander, sailed from San Francisco on Saturday, Dec. 20, 4 P. M., with 429 passengers, United States mails, and $1,798,252 in treasure on freight, destined as follows: For New-York, $1,252,957; New-Orleans, $40,000; England, $494,055; Panama, $11,240.

Dec. 25—Exchanged signals with Pacific Mail Steamship Company steamer *John L. Stephens*, bound to San Francisco.

Arrived at Acapulco, 26th inst., 5 o'clock A. M., and sailed thence for Panama, 11½ A. M., same day.

Left in port of Acapulco, ships *Gulf Stream* and *Chariot of Fame*, the latter ship to sail same day for the Chincha Islands—arrived at Panama Jan. 3, 11 o'clock A. M.

U. S. M. steamer *Granada*, A. G. GRAY, Esq., commander, sailed from Aspinwall Jan. 4, at 3 A. M., for Havana, with the mails, passengers and treasure for New-Orleans.

The outward mails, passengers and freight from New-York, per *George Law* Dec. 21, left Panama for San Francisco on board steamer *Golden Gate* Jan. 1, at 6 A. M.—passengers all in good health.

U. S. ship *Independence* and *St. Mary's* were still lying off Panama, and the *Cyane* off Aspinwall. Officers and crews all well.

Health of the Isthmus good. The rains have entirely ceased. Railroad in fine order, the homeward passengers per *George Law* making the transit in a little over three hours.

We are indebted to Mr. HULL, Purser of the *George Law*, to the Atlantic and Pacific Express, and to the Expresses of WELLS, FARGO & Co., G. H. WIRES & Co., and FREEMAN & Co., for files of papers received with dispatch.

The most important event which has occurred in California since the departure of the last steamer, has been the decision of the Supreme Court, upon the unconstitutionality of a bill making an appropriation of $100,000 for the construction of a wagon-road across the Sierra Nevada, which bill was passed on the 8th of April, 1855. The ground upon which the Supreme Court's decision is rendered, is that the Constitution expressly prohibits the State from contracting any indebtedness exceeding the amount of $300,000, unless the bill making any further appropriations should be submitted to the people, and be ratified by them. The decision affects equally the question of the constitutionality of all the bills by which indebtedness has been created since the prescribed limit was reached—and the effect of the decision has been to a great extent to stop the sale of the bonds of San Francisco. The general sentiment of the people is against repudiation, and the press is unanimous upon this point. A bill, it is expected, will be passed, as soon as the Legislature meets, in which the whole of the present State indebtedness will be submitted to the people, and indorsed by them.

The Legislature will convene on the 5th of January. The various Senatorial aspirants are striving, by every means known to politicians, to secure their own election. It is probable the whole matter will be decided by caucus. The prominent candidates are WM. M. GWIN, DAVID C. BRODERICK, MILTON S. LATHAM, JOHN B. WELLER, J. W. DENNER, J. W. MCCORKLE and STEPHEN J. FIELD. There is a strong feeling among the people, however, in favor of the selection of two new men.

The official vote of California is as follows: BUCHANAN, 51,985; FILLMORE, 35,118; FREMONT 20,699.

There is a favorable prospect of the speedy commencement of the railroad between Oakland and Stockton.

A disease, called the putrid sore-throat, has prevailed considerably in different portions of the State, and has been particularly fatal among children.

CHARLES BLAIR has been convicted in the District Court, of Shasta County, of the murder of a Chinaman, and has been sentenced to be hung.

Some fine cotton has been grown on the rancho of Major P. B. READING, in Shasta County.

A paper mill is about being started in Marin County.

The copper mine of Mr. RODGERS, of Hope Valley, near the summit of the Sierra Nevada, proves to be very rich.

A convention of colored people has been held in Sacramento, for the purpose of taking measures to endeavor to obtain a release from their disability to give evidence in courts of justice against white men.

In Oregon Gulch, Butte County, there are four quartz mills in operation. The average yield is about sixty dollars a ton.

A discovery of quartz has been recently made at Mokelumne Hill, which "prospects" $850 per ton.

The City of San Francisco has been unusually quiet during the fortnight, and we have little of a purely local character to chronicle that can be regarded as of more than ordinary interest.

Further extensive sales of real estate in the city have been made at prices which show an evident desire to invest in this description of property.

A number of clipper vessels had arrived, but their cargoes have mostly been stored.

Recent disclosures have been made, which show that the amount of wretchedness and poverty existing in some parts of San Francisco, is scarcely exceeded by that of the perilous of the larger Atlantic cities. Many ricketty old buildings in the alleys and streets under Telegraph Hill, are found to be tenanted promiscuously by the vilest and most degraded of the human species. Crime and destitution, and suffering, here reign supreme, and call for the exercise of the strictest surveillance of the Police, as well as for the aid of the charitable.

A grand banquet was given by many of the prominent citizens to General DILLON, on the evening of the 10th.

The new Municipal administration of San Fran-

[illegible] Court, an Indian girl was stolen from a gentleman in San Francisco, who sued out a writ of habeas corpus commanding a negro woman to produce the child in Court. This was refused, the woman swearing that the girl was not in her possession. The Judge decided that he could not determine the right of custody without the presence of the child. The matter has been laid before the Grand Jury.

Treasure List of United States Mail Steamer George Law.

Am. Ex. Co.	$40,000	Morning [illegible]	[illegible]
Al. & Pa'c Ex. Co.	1,000	Myer Levy & Co.	[illegible]
W. T. Coleman & Co.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Drexel & Co.	[illegible]	Order	
Dun'n, Sherman & Co	[illegible]	James [illegible]	
J. Durand & Co.	[illegible]	G. Kneeland & Co.	
Freeman & Co.	[illegible]	Order	
Jones Hall	[illegible]	Howard & Co.	
Hawkinson & Bro.	[illegible]	Stewart, [illegible] & Co.	
Wm. Hogg & Co.	[illegible]	Henry [illegible]	
Howland & Aspinwall	[illegible]	A. Bonel & Co.	
L. von Hoffman & Co.	[illegible]	Wm. [illegible]	
Herron & Crosby	[illegible]	Richard [illegible]	
Wm. Heller & Co.	[illegible]	Shaw & [illegible]	
Aaron Jacobs & Co.	[illegible]	R. Wide	
Pearce Kelly & Co.	[illegible]	Wells, Fargo & Co.	
J. Lanckenau & Co.	[illegible]	G. H. Wines & Co.	
Metropolitan Bank	[illegible]	Wells, Fargo & Co.	

Total San Francisco [illegible]

FROM ASPINWALL.

Dixon & Finlay	[illegible]	Order	[illegible]
Bowe Bros. & Co.	[illegible]	Order	[illegible]

Total [illegible]

HIGHLY IMPORTANT DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT OF CALIFORNIA.

Unconstitutionality of the Wagon-Road Act—The State Debt Invalid—Public Opinion Strong Against Repudiation.

The most important events which have taken place in California, since our last advices, are certain decisions rendered by the Supreme Court of the State, which affect many millions of money, and perhaps the credit and character of the country itself.

The chief of this class of decisions concerns the constitutionality and validity of the State debt, which at this time amounts to upwards of $3,000,000. The question arose in a case where an injunction was sought to be got against the Wagon-Road Commissioners proceeding to enter into any contract in terms of what is called the Wagon-Road Act, passed by the last Legislature, which made an appropriation of $100,000 was made for the construction of a wagon road from the Sierra Nevada to the Sacramento Valley. The Supreme Court laid down the principle that, by the Constitution of California, no debt could be contracted by the State, exceeding the amount of $300,000, over and above her annual revenue, unless provision for the sum and the purposes to which it was to be applied, were submitted to the direct vote of the people. This provision is found in the 8th Article of the Constitution. As none of the existing funded or floating State debt, has been submitted to the popular action in terms of this article, the whole amount, except $300,000, is virtually declared unconstitutional and invalid. Then the question of "repudiation" has been stirred, and a keen discussion upon it is everywhere taking place.

The press, as will be seen from extracts which we publish below, almost unanimously scout the idea of repudiation. The following is:

THE DECISION.

The People vs. *J. Neely Johnson & al.*—This was a Bill in Equity filed in the Court below by the Attorney-General, against J. NEELY JOHNSON, Governor of the State of California, JOHN A. SUTTER, Comptroller-General, and DAVID DOUGLASS, Secretary of State, a Board of Commissioners by virtue of an Act of the Legislature, entitled "An Act to provide for the survey and construction of a Wagon Road to the Sierra Nevada Mountains," to enjoin said Commissioners from entering into a contract for the construction of said road; for the reason that said Act is unconstitutional and void.

The Bill shows that said Commissioners were authorized to contract for the construction of said road at a price not exceeding the sum of $[illegible], and that at the time of the passage of the said Act, the State of California was indebted in a sum exceeding $300,000; that the aggregate indebtedness of the State, over and above the sum sought to be appropriated, exceeded the sum of $1,000,000; that said Act contained no provision submitted to be ratified by a vote of the People, as required by the Constitution of the State. The facts of the case are agreed on, as that the single point presented is, whether the Act of the 8th of April, 1855, is in contravention of the 8th article of the Constitution or not. The language of the article is as follows. [Here the 8th article is recited:]

"If we were at liberty to decide this case on grounds of public policy, we could not hesitate long between bankruptcy and ruin, or credit and repudiation. It is time that the axe should be laid at the root of this political evil; that this system of extravagance which has been the curse of the State for the last years, exhausting the substance of the people, destroying our citizens at home, should be stopped; and that honesty, prudence and economy

PUBLIC MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO AGAINST REPUDIATION.

Pursuant to public notice, a meeting of merchants and other business men was held at the Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco, for the purpose of giving expression to the public sentiment as to the effect, or supposed effect, upon the State credit, of the late decision of the Supreme Court, announcing the unconstitutionality of the laws under which the indebtedness of the State was created.

The meeting was organized by calling Hon JAMES A. MCDOUGAL to the chair, and EUGENE DELPRATT and ——, Secretaries.

On motion, a Committee was appointed to draft resolutions, and report at an adjourned meeting at 8 o'clock, P. M. The Committee was composed of—

J. C. Duncan,	James Bailey,
Capt. M. R. Roberts,	M. D. Boruck.
Mr. Brodie,	Mr. Cristal,
Gen. J. A. McDougal.	

At 8 o'clock the meeting reassembled, pursuant to adjournment, Gen. McDougal in the chair, and Dr. H. GIBBONS, Secretary. J. C. DUNCAN, from the Committee, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted, with but two dissenting voices:

Whereas, The late decision of the Supreme Court of the State of California declares a certain portion of our State indebtedness to have been created in violation of the Constitution of the State;

And whereas, The indebtedness has been created by the action of our State Government, and the benefits therefrom derived by the people of the State—Therefore,

Resolved, That we regard the faith of the State involved in the just and true payment of her entire indebtedness, constitutional or unconstitutional.

Resolved, That we do not consider it to be the unanimous opinion of the people of California, as expressed by the press and the people in every section of the State.

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to take such action on this subject as may be available for the purpose of ratifying the entire outstanding indebtedness of the State.

Resolved, That while giving the earnest and emphatic expression to the opinions and resolutions preceding, we do not wish to be understood as in any way countenancing the lavish and unconstitutional expenditures of the past.

DISCOVERY OF STUPENDOUS FRAUDS.

Indictment and Arrest of Jose Y. Limantour.

From the San Francisco Herald.

Wednesday afternoon the Grand Jury for the Northern District of California found a true bill against JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR, charging him with the offence of uttering forged grants purporting to convey to him a large tract of the most valuable lands in this city. When the existence of the alleged grant was first broached, and property holders were apprised that another claimant was entering the arena of the already vexed and troubled litigation concerning titles, the intelligence was received with astonishment, and from that time to the present few were found who believed in its validity. The holder of this grant has pursued with the utmost perseverance the procurement of a confirmation of his title, and has succeeded in securing a decision in its favor by the Board of Land Commissioners. But this decision has been attributed to the fact that little exertion was used by the parties interested, and testimony adverse to LIMANTOUR might have been produced, with proper exertion, that would have brought about a different result. We have heard it stated, but we cannot say with what correctness, that the General Government since the entering of the decree by the Land Commission, have labored assiduously to procure evidence to establish the fraudulent nature of the claim. For this purpose agents have been sent to the City of Mexico, and it was by the testimony discovered by them that the indictment found by the Grand Jury yesterday is based. Alcatraz Island, on which the present fortifications are being built, and the Farallones, on which a light house now stands, are both claimed by LIMANTOUR, and therefore the United States have more than an ordinary interest in aiding to overthrow the genuineness of the grant.

JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR is indicted under the act of Congress of March 22, 1823. The act declares that any one convicted of uttering false papers or deeds with intent to defraud the United States, shall be deemed guilty of felony; and, if convicted, shall be sentenced to be imprisoned and kept at hard labor for not less than one or more than ten years, and fined not exceeding $1,000.

The indictment against LIMANTOUR contains four counts. The first count charges him with uttering and publishing as true, a certain false writing with intent to defraud the United States, knowing the same to be false, purporting to grant lands in the southern part the city of San Francisco, said dated the 27th February, 1846, whereas, in fact, the grant was made at the city of Mexico (instead of Los Angeles, as it purports) in February, 1842, after California became a part of the United States, which fact LIMANTOUR well knew. The third count charges him with uttering and publishing as true, with intent to defraud the United States, a certain false writing, knowing the same to be false, and sets out the grant both in Spanish and English. The second and fourth counts vary the charge.

The Grand Jury was out about one hour when the foregoing indictment was presented by them. A bench warrant was at once placed in the hands of Deputy Marshal THERELL, who proceeded to the room of LIMANTOUR, at the corner of Dupont and Sacramento streets, and there arrested him, about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was conveyed before Judges MCALLISTER and HOFFMAN, who fixed bail at $30,000, if the trial takes place at the present term of the Court, the sureties to justify in double that amount. The bail will be increased to a higher amount if the trial is deferred past that time. The witnesses examined before the Grand Jury were a Mexican named JACOMY, and Mr CRIPPS, Secretary of Legation at the City of Mexico.

CURIOUS HISTORY OF THE DISCOVERY OF THE FRAUD—COURSE OF THE U. S. GOVERNMENT.

From the San Francisco Bulletin.

The indictment and subsequent arrest of JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR, yesterday evening, for presenting a fraudulent claim (which was confirmed) to the Land Commission, involving a large portion of the city of San Francisco, Alcatraz Island and other property, occasioned considerable excitement among the parties interested, and a great fluttering among the friends and supposed accomplices of LIMANTOUR. From the most reliable information we gather the following facts, which led to his arrest:

The attention of the General Government of the United States at Washington had been repeatedly called to the matter of the claims of JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR, in California, and great solicitude was felt as to exposing the fraud. Accordingly, in June last, Col. S. W. INGE, who was at that time in Washington, was employed for that purpose, and ordered to proceed immediately to the city of Mexico and ascertain the actual facts in relation to fraud, and to procure the necessary witnesses to come to San Francisco, and upon reaching here to expose the fraud, and, if possible, punish the guilty party or parties. Col. INGE, accordingly, proceeded to Mexico, and when there, by the active aid and assistance of the American Legation at that city, obtained access to all the sources of record and official information. He afterwards put himself in communication with individuals, who were personally cognizant of all the facts, which individuals are now in this city.

The facts which were found to have been made in the case, by one EMILE LETANNEUR, who is now in San Francisco. This LETANNEUR, it will be recollected, is the same person who was pointed out by ARQUERA JOHAN as the forger of the alleged false titles. The money paid by LIMANTOUR to MICHELTORENA and BOCANEGRA for signing the papers, it is said, can be proved by various reliable witnesses, who were induced to come from Mexico. Those who are prosecuting this matter are very sanguine of success, and say that the whole fraud can be proved from its inception up to the present time. Whatever be the result, San Francisco and California are indebted to the energy and talent of Col. INGE, who has endeavored to develope the truth in this matter.

LIMANTOUR, since his arrest yesterday afternoon, has been in the custody of the United States Marshal. His bail has been fixed at $30,000, and great efforts were being made by his friends to procure it; but up to the time of our going to press they had not succeeded.

CONFESSION OF AN ACCOMPLICE.

From the Bulletin.

When JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR came to San Francisco some months since, he brought with him the clerk, EMILE LETANNEUR, who was alleged (and the charge seems now to be well founded) to have written the pretended grant from the Mexican authorities, on which LIMANTOUR founded his claims. On Wednesday last, soon after LIMANTOUR was indicted for fraud, it was thought by those prosecuting the matter, that it would be well to keep LETANNEUR as much as possible away from his master, and if advisable examine him as to the matter before LIMANTOUR and he could confer. The Grand Jury of the United States, which found the indictment against LIMANTOUR, had, however, been inadvertently discharged, so that it was necessary to conduct the proposed proceedings in another way.

Accordingly, at the suggestion of Col S. W. INGE and with the acquiescence of the District Attorney, H. H. BURNS, the Grand Jury of the County, which had been impanelled a few days ago, were called together yesterday afternoon, and EMILE LETANNEUR taken before them. He was there subjected to a course of questions in relation to the alleged fraudulent claims of LIMANTOUR to Col. INGE, who was present; and, knowing that his master was under indictment, and that complete investigations had been carried on in the City of Mexico, since he and LIMANTOUR had left there, he confessed the whole affair. At this time, he was trembling with fear, and nearly fainting with apprehension. He said that the papers presented by LIMANTOUR to the Land Commission, and purporting to have been made in 1842, were in fact written by himself in 1852, as was charged.

Col. INGE had carried with him the pretended original grant of the Mexican authorities to LIMANTOUR, and handing it to LETANNEUR, asked:

Did you ever see that paper before?

LETANNEUR—I think I have seen it.

Col. INGE—Is that your writing?

LETANNEUR—It looks like mine.

Col. INGE—Examine it, and state whether or not you wrote it? And if so, when and where?

LETANNEUR—I did write it, at the request of JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR; but I did not know what I was about at the time. I wrote it in my room, and gave it to LIMANTOUR. I was drunk at the time. I was in the habit of drinking at that time. I was very much addicted to drinking at that time. I was in the habit of drinking to excess. I was in the habit of drinking to excess at the time I wrote the paper. I was drunk when I wrote the paper

which leads upon the question pending between the United States and New-Granada cannot quite a decay, have among a class of public creditors in Europe, and especially in Paris, a very, and also [illegible] to be a Bona estate that holds [illegible] the blackest [illegible] the Emperor Napoleon III. Every Panamaite is a devoted lover of his nationality, but there are many among the most intelligent who acknowledge the difficulties in the way of its maintenance. The resources of the State are insufficient to meet the cost of a good Government, and the National Congress is better disposed to draw money from the Lottery than it is to adopt any for its government. In fact, it draws the whole of the national and small tax, amounting to about $50,000 yearly, which ought to go towards the protection of the transit route. Both the Panamaite and the Granada review the Monroe and of course present strongly against the domestic and personal of the President. The Panamaite says, what is perhaps true, that there was nothing of premeditation in the massacre of the 15th April, that it was caused by the maltreatment of a native by a passenger, because the former insisted upon payment for his fruit; but acknowledges that every foreigner coming into the country, or in transit, is entitled to protection; that such protection was not given on the occasion referred to, and that consequently New-Granada is responsible to the United States in damages. It thinks the whole matter, as well as the mail-car question, might be easily resolved, were the United States actuated by a spirit of justice and slight in the direction—but contends that our Government is making the April massacre a pretext to have concessions from New-Granada which she ought not and cannot grant. It disputes the right of the treaty-making power or of Congress to alienate any portion of the national territory, or to grant municipal control, which amounts to nearly the same thing, to any foreign nation over it. For my own part, I do not believe the Government of New-Granada, if disposed, could safely grant such concessions as the United States have probably demanded. A revolution would undoubtedly sweep out of power any administration that should attempt them. I believe, if our Government acts with the firmness indicated in the President's message, which it undoubtedly should do, forcible possession will have to be taken of the transit route.

It is to be hoped, also, that the President has demanded the trial and punishment of the stupid Governor, FRANCISCO FARNESA, whose cowardice and indifference were the principal causes of the great loss of life. It is a well attested fact that when he arrived on the ground with his single police, the riot was at an end; and that up to that time, not more than one or two persons had been sacrificed by the mob. But FARNESA, under the idea that shots had been fired from the freight-house by the passengers, ordered his armed police to take possession of it, and they began the work of firing upon the building, filled, as it was, with men, women and children. It was then that the slaughter of the Cienega, supposing, and properly so, that they had the countenance of the Government, commenced a regular slaughter, by which fifteen or twenty persons fell, and a systematic sack of the depôts, shops, and hotels. It is something new in military science for a commander to defend his friends by assisting the enemy to shoot them down. There are also several white villains suggesting about Panama, who doubtless took advantage of the Governor's stupid order, to wreak their vengeance upon "los Yankees." They also raised a few feet of hemp. For several days after the massacre the negroes of the Cienega were selling, in the public streets, watches, jewelry, clothing and effects of the passengers, of which they had robbed them; and it was a fact known to the Governor that many men, that is a dozen outside the walls there were round full of trunks and carpet-bags, partly filled with goods, which the negroes continued to peddle out up to the arrival of the *St. Mary's*, without a single step being taken by FARNESA to reclaim the property, or to punish the robbers and murderers.

In Cuba, Mexico, and in fact, in all Spanish America, the provincial governors are generally petty tyrants, whom the Central Government has to coax and flatter, but whom they seldom dare punish. Thus, these men, having no masters, and not knowing the meaning of the word patriotism care nothing for the consequences of their acts to their country, so long as they can fill their pockets, or satisfy their revenges. It is right, of course that the national treasury should be made to respond to the sufferers in such cases, but a severe personal castigation of the offenders would go far towards abolishing the evils which our countrymen are forever called upon to endure, without redress, in these countries.

Hon. ISAAC E. MORSE, U. S. Special Commissioner to Bogota, left Aspinwall for Carthagena Dec. 22, and arrived there on the 26th. He will reach Bogota about Jan. 10.

The New-Granadian Congress will assemble at Bogota on Feb. 1, and it is not probable Mr. MORSE will effect anything before its convocation. Mr. BOWLIN, when the last mail left, on the 10th, had made no progress towards the settlement of the difficulties. Several angry notes are said to have passed between him and POMBO, Secretary of State, and it was apprended by some that he might break off all negotiation before the arrival of Mr. MORSE. Mr. M. spent a couple of days here, and visited the Islands in the Bay. He does not appear to be much of a TALLEYRAND in diplomacy—evidently holding the opinion that there should be nothing secret in that science, and is extremely egotistical. But his line of conduct is undoubtedly squarely charted out to him by Mr. MARCY—so that these drawbacks will not probably materially affect his mission. In one particular his appointment is a happy one. He speaks French fluently, and gets along tolerably well in Spanish. No man should occupy a diplomatic or consular post who is unable to speak the language of the country to which he is sent.

The sloop-of-war *St. Mary's* will go to Nicaragua as soon as the *Decatur* arrives from San Francisco to relieve her, which will be in about six weeks. From thence she will probably visit Callao, but must shortly go into dock at Mare Island, California, as she is rotten and leaky. Her supplies, and also those of the *Independence*, arrived out across the Isthmus in good order. The following is a list of her new officers:

CHARLES H. DAVIS, Captain; J. S. Maury, Lieutenant; D. P. McCorkle, Lieutenant; T. T. Houston, Lieutenant; Ed. McD. Reynolds, Lieutenant of Marines; William H. Ward, Master; J. W. Taylor, Surgeon; W. A. Ingersoll, Purser; S. Kennedy, Assistant Surgeon; J. G. Mitchell, Passed Midshipman; G. T. Thomas, Passed Midshipman; L. R. Pitch, Midshipman; J. G. Mosely, Midshipman; P. J. Miller, Boatswain; L. E. Ellis, Gunner; E. A. Hewitt, Carpenter; H. W. Franklin, Sailmaker; P. Quinn, Purser's Clerk.

Her Britannic Majesty's ship *Monarch*, 84, and corvette *Pearl*, 21, went to sea on the 28th, immediately on the arrival of the British mail. It is reported they are to land again to blockade Peruvian ports, with a view to enforce the payments of interest on British bonds. I believe the Peruvian Government has not been very regular lately in these payments, but nevertheless the rumor is possibly incorrect.

A splendid ball was given to the officers of the ships of war in port on the 23d. The subscription list was headed by the British Consul. He first intended it solely for Admiral BENCE and his command. But many of the natives, who were called on to subscribe, either objected to confer upon the Britons this such a special mark of their favor, particularly as one had been growing a great deal lately at the dilatoriness of Señor POMBO in making over the needful due his mistress, and was even threatening a blockade of the New-Granadian ports. And as the Yankees were graciously permitted to lend their assistance to the fund, and Brother Jonathan was let in. It was rehoking to see the stars and stripes, the cross of St. George, and the flag of New-Granada lovingly entwined; but in view of the fact that both nations have quite an account to balance with this country, one could not avoid the reflection

[illegible] Mr. Secretary of the American Legation to Peru, with his lovely wife, were detained here a fortnight, and called for Calling to the British consulate of the coast. Mr. CAVERLY's friends will be glad to know that his health, which was very bad, has greatly improved since he left New-York. I am gratified to hear that the petition for the removal of Hon. J. RANDOLPH CLAY, United States Minister to Peru, purporting to emanate from citizens of Lima and Callao, is a fabrication. It was taken to Washington by Don Pedro Sarrea, of San Francisco notoriety, and a German Jew by the name of Lauer, a Chinese slave-trader at Lima. Mr. CLAY has been our representative for the past nine years, greatly to the credit of our country and to the satisfaction of the more respectable of its citizens residing in Peru.

The schooner *Caroline*, which left New-York on the 15th, arrived at Aspinwall on the 28th, bringing ten days later news from the States.

The American propeller *Columbus*, Capt. Dow, belonging to the Railroad Company, left here for Salvador and Costa Rica on the 21st. She will bring back a cargo for New-York, to go by way of Aspinwall.

Panama is excessively dull and quiet. The rains have ceased and the railroad is in excellent order.

Our dates from Bogota are to the 11th December, and from Carthagena to the 26th. The Republic is in a complete state of tranquillity. The cholera had broken out in Rio Hache, but was not very fatal. General CORTEZ, from Mexico, who has been paying SANTA ANNA a visit at Turbaco, had gone to Europe, it is reported, to ask for Spanish assistance in crushing out COMONFORT, and restoring the immunities of the church.

Orders had arrived out to the British Admiral at Jamaica to blockade the ports of New-Granada, Panama and Aspinwall, excepted on account of the non-settlement of the Mackintosh Claim. The order would be carried into effect immediately.

Señor POMBO, Secretary of State, had refused to refund $122,255 78, which sum was levied upon and paid by passengers to and from California between January, 1850, and December, 1853.

AMOS CORWINE, Esq., received his exequatur as Consul by the last mail from Bogota. It was supposed it would be denied him on account of his recommendation as Commissioner, that the United States seize upon the transit route.

I notice, since my return here, that Mr. WELLS' New-Granada Canal Company, for opening the dike from Carthagena to the Magdalene River, has bursted and gone to the dogs, and that a suit has been commenced against some of the stockholders for swindling. I also notice a whitewashing card of Mr. HENRY WELLS in the TIMES. I am not disposed to dig up dead men's bones; but I cannot help reminding the innocent flats who were gulled by the magnificent programme of this concern, and have, consequently, lost their money, that I warned them against this bogus concern in season, through the columns of the TIMES. To my statement, that the estimates of the Company were not half large enough for the completion of the work—that not a shovel of earth had been removed, and that I had no faith in the Company, Mr. WELLS, in a card, indignantly dissented, calling me a wiseacre, and using other sarcastic language. But I have always found these quiet warnings of the newspapers to have but little weight with a class of addle-pated small capitalists, that abound in every large city. They imagine because a man makes a great spread in the world that he must be a a pattern of astuteness and honesty. They love to be cheated by such fellows. F. W. R.

INTERESTING FROM CENTRAL AMERICA.

The War in Nicaragua—Repulse of the Allies by Gen. Walker at St. George—Strength of the Allies—Position of the Contending Forces—Walker at Omotepe attacked by Indians—Costa Rican account of the loss of the Once de Abril—Walker's men Hemmed in at Granada—Desertions—Official Dispatches—The Nicaragua Transit Interrupted, &c.

The steamship *Orizaba* from San Juan del Sur, on the 8th December, arrived at San Francisco on the 19th. Her advices, therefore, are four days later than those received in New-York. The only news not previously reported, we find in the following paragraphs:

"General WALKER's army were at Rivas, and that place was being fortified. Garrisons were being established and fortified at San Juan del Sur, and Virgin Bay."

Under the head of "the very latest," we read in the California *Alta*:

"On the 6th, Gen. WALKER went up to Rivas with a portion of the new recruits and his main army, in all consisting of 450 men, for the purpose of attacking the enemy posted at that place, to the number of 600 strong. On the next night he was attacked at St. George, on the Lake Shore, and repulsed the enemy with no loss to his own forces."

Our dates from Punta Arenas are up to the 17th Dec. CANAS, commander of the Costa Rican forces against WALKER, was near or in Rivas on the 12th, with 600 men. WALKER had 400 men at St. George, a mile or two from Rivas, and CANAS wrote that he should attack the Americans the next day, unless WALKER took the initiative.

The whole allied force against the filibusters now in the field, according to Costa Rican papers, is about 2,000 men—500 more from Salvador and 500 from Costa Rica would enter Nicaragua immediately. WALKER's whole available force was not reckoned to exceed 800.

The *Boletin Oficial* contains columns of names of contributers in money, horses, mules, clothing and provisions for the Costa Rican force. Woman and children, and every class of society, figure in the list. The Punta Arenas and other papers claim that WALKER is on his last legs, and that the war is virtually ended.

From a private letter written before the departure of the *Joseph Hewitt*, which left Punta Arenas on Dec. 11, the Panama *Star and Herald* learns that the post had just arrived from Nicaragua, bringing letters from Gen. BELLOSO to Gen. CANAS.

The first is dated Massaya, Nov. 27, 1856, and informs Gen. CANAS that the writer (Gen. BELLOSO) had been at Granada on the previous day, that the city was reduced to ashes, and that 200 Yankees remained shut up in the church of Guadaloupe. On being called upon to surrender they arrogantly refused. On the next day "St. Peter," a very large gun, was to make them flee, and this was expected to be the last of them. After this job was concluded, a force was to be left in Granada, another in Massaya, and the bulk of the army, under Gens. PARRENO and MARTINEZ, was to be marched to operate with Gen. CANAS, against San Juan del Sur and Virgin Bay.

The next letter is dated Granada, Dec. 1. At this time the Church was not yet taken, though the General was momentarily in expectation of that event. He states the number of filibusters who had fallen since the 24th to be three hundred, and that the loss of the allied was small.

Private letters state that the Indians on the Island of Omotepe had risen against WALKER, and killed fifteen of his men. A General Fran, or some such name, (for the MSS. is illegible,) had to make his escape in a canoe. The Indians had taken to the woods, having no more ammunition. WALKER, with 150 men, had attempted to retake Granada from the lake, but failed in his attempt.

COSTA RICAN ACCOUNT OF THE ONCE DE ABRIL IN THE RECENT NAVAL ENGAGEMENT.

From the Boletin Oficial, Dec. 12.

It is our painful task this week to have to announce the loss of the *Once de Abril*, so recently fitted as a war vessel for the protection of our coast. Our readers will recollect that the ill-fated vessel left Punta Arenas, barely a month ago, carrying with her reinforcements for General CANAS' army; unhappily she did not appear off San Juan del Sur, until after General CANAS had evacuated that place, hence neither men nor supplies have ever reached that officer, and we much fear the greater portion of the brave volunteers, who so cheerfully enrolled themselves to fight their country's cause on same terms, have met an unlooked for and untimely death. Full particulars have not reached us, but from all we can glean it would appear, whilst engaged in combat with the [illegible] of the Once de Abril [illegible] and have up [illegible] board, save 41, who were picked up by their opponent. Of this number 31 appear to have escaped injury, the others were more or less wounded—all are said to have been captured and removed to Virgin Bay, where they remain prisoners of war.

We hold it to be a most fortunate circumstance that General CANAS should have formed as early a junction with the allies as he was done so, the crisis situation would have been a most perilous one, for we must not forget, that after defeating the enemy on the 11th, and retreating, as he did, upon Rivas on the 12th, he must have been in great want of all the munitions of war.

When the fight commenced the *Once de Abril* labored under the greatest possible disadvantages, arising from the crowded state of her decks, and the impossibility of maneuvering or of working her guns effectively, and doubtless to these causes may be attributed the sad calamity.

OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF THE PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

In lieu of our readers acquainted with the operations of the war, we feel ourselves authorized in giving them below:

Official Dispatches from Costa Rica.

BRIEF SUMMARY AND COMMENTARY.—WALKER having been routed in this town returned to Granada with [illegible] a considerable number of wounded. The first thing this wretched usurper did, was to embark all his wounded, movables and everything he has stolen, sending them to the island of Ometepe, in the lake of Nicaragua, and having thrown himself entrenched, he left orders for the destruction of that beautiful town. His firelings executed his orders, and Granada is now one heap of ruins. Guadalupe-street and a block round the square being all that is left unburnt. On being informed of this, in concert with the other Generals, I ordered the advance of the allied army on that place, and yesterday I reconnoitred, in person, the situation of our troops and also that of the enemy's forces, and I found that the enemy is very disadvantageously placed, being confined to the centre of the town, without any mode of escape, so that they are reduced to the necessity of surrendering or dying where they are.

They are likewise cut off from receiving any further supplies of men or provisions that may come by water, as the steamers cannot approach the wharf without danger, and even in the event of landing they could not communicate with the town, as our troops occupy the beach and the walls of Guadalupe Church.

Hoping to find you at the same time that a part of the allied forces occupy the San Francisco quarter, adjoining the walls of the houses occupied by the enemy.

On my return to Rivas I saw one of the steamers start in the direction of Virgin Bay, and I presume she has gone to bring the filibuster force from there and from San Juan del Sur, to assist them in their present struggle.

It is therefore necessary that you investigate the point with all dispatch, and should those places be unoccupied you should march, in conjunction with General JEREZ, and take possession of them, as the present opportunity should not be lost. According to information I have received, WALKER himself is shut up within the town, and it may probably be the case, from the fact of the obstinate resistance of the enemy, and the return of the steamer in which he went away. Should it be so, I consider the war at an end. The loss which the allied army has suffered during the siege, up to the present time, is very small, the enemy having had a greater amount of killed. In the Guadalupe Church alone he lost about 50 men.

Hoping you are well, I remain, &c.,

RAMON BELLOSO.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

The *Boletin Oficial* of Costa Rica, of Dec. 18, gives the following as the latest news:

News from Rivas is to Dec. 5. WALKER, with 400 men, arrived at San Jorje, one league from Rivas, and prepared to attack the division under Gen. CANAS. Only a few skirmishes with the advanced guards had taken place. CANAS had 600 men, who were in good health, and well supplied with munitions of war and provisions.

WALKER, in one of the lake steamers, was constantly on the move between Virgin Bay, Ometepe and Granada. According to the most reliable accounts, the forces of WALKER consisted of 160 men in Virgin Bay, 40 men in a hotel near San Juan, 150 in the steamers, 50 guarding 300 wounded and sick in Ometepe. This force, with 250 lost in Massaya, and 580 in Granada, constitutes all his force, not reckoning those at Castillo, or on the river.

On the 1st of December 200 men remained, hemmed in, in the ruins of the church of Guadalupe, in Granada, who fought with desperation, and were without water, and had to subsist on their horses. They obstinately refused quarter, though offered to them by General BELLOSO.

Of the crew of the *Once de Abril*, only forty-eight reached San Juan alive; five died next day, and thirty were sent prisoners to Virgin Bay. Of the crew of the *San José*, 19 out of 33 were either killed or wounded.

WALKER's forces are said to be very badly off, having nothing but a little beef (without any salt) to eat, in consequence many are dying of dysentery and other complaints of the climate.

DESERTERS FROM WALKER'S ARMY—THEIR DISTRESSED CONDITION.

From the Panama Star and Herald.

For the last few months every vessel arriving from Punta Arenas and other Central American ports on the Pacific has brought to this place one or more destitute men, deserters from the army of Mr. WALKER, who invariably state that they were induced by the false representations made to them by WALKER's agents in the United States to go out to Nicaragua, some as settlers, with promises of grants of land, others of mechanical employment, and not a few allured by the mining prospects held out by WALKER's decoy ducks; but all of whom found, on reaching the country, that they were forced under pain of death to join his ranks. These men, of course, generally take the first opportunity of escaping from the tyrant's bondage, and prefer the risk of falling into the enemies hands to remaining WALKER's slaves, subject to every species of hardship, and compelled to take part in a cause for which they have no sympathy. Such are the great majority of the "Walker men" who arrive at this port, and such, we are informed by those who have visited the Central American ports, are the poor fellows who are found there, unable to get away and living on the charity of the residents.

Those who have come down here have been most kindly passed over the Railroad by the Company to Aspinwall, where they either find employment, or are enabled to work their way home in the steamers or sailing vessels.

The sad condition of these unfortunate men, and the probability that many more will, under like circumstances, be thrown among us, calls loudly for the interference of the United States Government to put a stop to the nefarious practices of WALKER's press-gang, and protect its citizens from being imposed upon in a manner which not only trifles with the lives of individuals but brings the whole nation into disrepute. An immediate stop should be put to this nefarious practice which results in death, starvation, or abject want to the poor victims of WALKER's misrepresentations. It should be known that the case of these men is one in which the United States Consul cannot officially interfere, he has no power either to pass them home, or to relieve them on behalf of his Government, though in his private capacity he affords them every assistance in his power; but considering the circumstance, it appears to be one of those peculiar cases for which the Government might grant extraordinary powers for the relief of its deceived and distressed citizens.

THE NICARAGUA TRANSIT INTERRUPTED.

The steamship *Thomas* reached Aspinwall from San Juan del Norte on the 23d December. No tidings of WALKER had been received at San Juan for some days before her departure. WALKER had appropriated the steamers on the lake and river to his own use. SCOTT had quarrelled with him and stopped running on the river. The fleet was beginning to leave; all are soon to go. The *Imperieuse* had left for home; the *Arrogant* and *Archer* are soon to follow, and the *Cossack* and *Tartar* have gone to Jamaica.

IMPORTANT FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

Progress of the Revolution in Peru.

ADDRESS OF VIVANCO—MANIFESTO FROM THE NATIONAL CONVENTION—MOVEMENTS OF ECHENIQUE—CONFLICT AT ARICA—RESULT OF THE EXPEDITION SENT TO CAPTURE THE APURIMAC.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

PANAMA, Saturday, Jan. 3, 1857.

The revolution in Peru against CASTILLA and his Government is rapidly gaining ground. Our newspaper dates are to the 11th December—letters to the 12th. After the *Apurimac* and *Loa* had declared in favor of the revolution, Gen. VIVANCO issued an address to the people of Peru, in which they are told they are being ground to dust beneath the heel of the despot—that religion and public morality are suffering—and that the country is going to the dogs generally. Of course he promises all sorts of benefits to the people if they will join his standard.

On the other hand, the National Convention at Lima has issued a long manifesto, telling what that body and the Dictator have done and are doing, and the country is [illegible] the people [illegible] the fleets of the Pacific (in which, by the way, 1,000 men on each side fought for days within distance that spectators from Lima connected with position between the two armies), connecting the people to frown upon the factious, and promising the latter speedy annihilation.

All sorts of pretexts are given in different parts of the country by the leaders for the present outbreak. Some allege that the deposition of CASTILLA led to it; others, that the priests are dissatisfied with the new Constitution, which makes them partially amenable to the civil law; while others again, attribute it to the tyranny of CASTILLA's lieutenants—the Provincial Governors. All these things undoubtedly help it along. But as my last I touched upon some of the main reasons for dissatisfaction with CASTILLA's Government. There are three causes for the revolutions which have afflicted Peru latterly, that I have not touched upon, and these are the three fiends that constitute almost the sole revenue—the Chinchas. So long as the guano lasts there will be continual struggles among the different factions and chiefs for the plunder of the people. Take away these stealings and revolution would be no longer a chronic disease in Peru. Almost the whole country is now in arms. In the south of the republic the people are pronouncing in favor of VIVANCO; in many places north of Callao for ECHENIQUE. In Lambyeque the people had had a conflict with a company of forty Government infantry and a picket of horse, beating them. Cajaca, Trujillo, Huancayo, Ica, Paita, all ports north of Callao, had raised the standard of revolt. In Paita, on the 16th, when the British steamer touched in, she found cannon planted on the beach to prevent the landing of Government troops, which it was supposed she had on board.

Gen. ECHENIQUE, with many of his adherents, was at Valparaiso the 1st of December, but they were preparing to return to Peru. If he shall join his interests with VIVANCO, the chances are that CASTILLA will have to succumb. He cannot rely upon his soldiers—if a single regiment is excepted. He is reported to have said that if he cannot put down the revolution, he will shut himself up in the fortification of Callao and defend himself to the last.

I gave you in my last the particulars of the loss to the Government of the *Apurimac*, 48-gun steam frigate, and *Loa*, both of which had pronounced for VIVANCO. These two vessels entered the port of Arica on the 26th November, and summoned it to surrender. Just as the people were about to comply with the demand, two companies of the Ayacucho division—government troops—entered the town, and a conflict ensued between them and sixty-five men sent on shore by the *Apurimac*. Seventeen were killed and thirty-four wounded on both sides, the victory being with the naval force. The *Loa* fired four shots into the town, and was prevented from doing further damage by H. B. M. ship *Tribune*, which was in the bay. On the 28th the *Apurimac* and *Loa* sailed with four of the officers and twenty of the soldiers of the Ayacuchos, and were at Islay at last dates. It appears that the *Apurimac* found $140,000 on board the *Loa* when she pronounced, instead of $70,000 as I wrote you. A part of this money was paid to the crews and the rest would go for the purchase of coals, &c.

The expedition fitted out at Callao with the avowed intention of capturing the *Apurimac* and *Loa*, had rather a comical termination. It appears that two of the vessels, the *Ucayali* and *Tumbes* were ordered to touch at the Chincahas to suppress an insurrection there. They were fallen in with by the British ship *Sea King*, bound to Calao, the Captain of which essayed to speak the *Tumbes*. But the *Tumbes* was in a great hurry and wouldn't stop—so John Bull tried his hand on the flag-ship, the *Ucayali*, which was a mile and a half in the rear, and with better success. About half an hour was lost in the exchange of news and civilities—but when the *Ucayali* was again put in motion, the commander-in-chief found the *Tumbes* had cracked on all steam, changed her course, and was about six miles away. He made signals for her to heave to, but it was no go—so he took his ship back to Callao, and reported he had lost his consort by his politeness to the surest Britisher. At last accounts the *Tumbes* had joined the *Apurimac* fleet, and was going at Arica, with orders to assist that town in pronouncing for VIVANCO. It is expected the *Ucayali* and *Jamaica*, the only vessels of the fleet left to CASTILLA, with the exception of the *Amazonas*, will run away the first favorable opportunity. Indeed, a conspiracy to carry off the former had already been discovered, in which a young man by the name of LIDDRIDGE, an American, I believe, was complicated and arrested. The *Amazonas* steam-frigate, I think, is on a foreign station.

The revolutionists at the Chinchas, finding that CASTILLA had lost his fleet, offered to sell guano to any vessel that would buy, at $5 per ton. It is reckoned now, you are aware, at over $30 a ton on board. On this news reaching Callao, H. B. Majesty's ship *President*, 50 guns, and the French steamer *Lamoine*, sailed at once for the Chinchas, to prevent the illicit exportation of the article.

On the 28th of November, CASTILLA ordered the arrest of 28 prominent individuals at Lima and Callao, charged with conspiracy. Most of them were taken. Gen. CARCAVEDO, member of the National Convention, brother and son, were taken at Callao.

A large fleet of vessels had arrived at Callao in the fortnight preceding the sailing of the steamer, with guano charters. At the Islands freights were but £4 per ton, to Europe, and about the same price to the United States. But vessels were arriving with charters as high as £4 15s.

Bolivia.

OPPOSITION TO CORDOVA—SUPPRESSION OF NEWSPAPERS—YELLOW FEVER.

CORDOVA, who was elected, some two years since, to fill the place of President, occupied by his father-in-law, BELZU, begins to find considerable opposition to his rule. The army, in general, is against him, which, in the Spanish-American Republics, ought to be quoted in a man's favor. He has granted a general amnesty to political exiles, including General SANTA CRUZ, who is invited to return to Bolivia within forty months, to urge the claims he has pending before the Supreme Court.

Like most other South American and Mexican potentates, however, CORDOVA fears the press, and has suppressed two newspapers, one at Cochabamba and the other at Potosi. He has also revived the old spy system. On the 6th November, an attempt at revolution was made at Potosi, but without success.

The Government had ordered a survey for a railroad from La Paz to Tacua, the present traveled route being unsafe.

The yellow fever was raging in villages North of La Paz. The new gold mines of Choquemata were a complete failure. Dates from the capital are to the 28th November.

Ecuador.

We have no late news from this Republic, the British steamer not having touched in to Guayaquil on her passage North.

Chili.

THE RAILROAD TO SANTIAGO—IMPORTANT IMPROVEMENTS—GRAND CELEBRATION AT SANTIAGO—BUSINESS—MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

The British steamer left Valparaiso on the 1st December, with papers to the 30th November.

President MORETT was shortly expected at Valparaiso to spend part of the warmer season for the benefit of his wife's health.

The railroad to Santiago would soon be opened to Limache, a distance of thirty miles from Valparaiso. The difficulties already surmounted in this great enterprise were the principal ones to be apprehended on the line. The only obstacle now is the pass in the chain of mountains, at the base of which is the valley of Santiago—and three companies of engineers are examining and surveying the most depressed passes. In three or four years it is expected the whole road will be completed and connected with the Southern one, placing Valparaiso and Santiago in direct communication with Talca, 300 miles in the interior. Government had permitted the directors of the Southern line to export, duty-free, 6000 marks of silver to Europe, to [illegible] material for the road. [illegible] will be much benefited by [illegible] during the Summer, connecting with the Valparaiso line.

Government has given $5,000 to aid in the opening of a carriage road between Serena and the port of Ambosalle; $500 a year in aid of the hospital of Illapel; $3,000 to aid in forming an embankment on the beach between Coquimbo and the new Custom-House; $2,500 to defray the expenses of seven Sisters of Charity from France to Chili; the same amount to twenty-seven missionary friars to attend to the spiritual of Chiloe and Chiloé. Government has also purchased from Don Jesus Bunay, the proprietorship of the *Agricultural Guide*, and is to adapt it to the circumstances of Chile.

The most important movement among all the improvements and enterprises going on in Chile, and which will be of vast benefit to the commerce of the world, is the one to erect lighthouses on such points of the Chilian coast as most need them. HENRY SIMPSON, Esq., has been appointed to report upon the places, and to superintend the construction of the houses. The first one will be erected at Valparaiso.

Government had chartered a company with $120,000 capital to make beet-root sugar. The shares are 500 at $200 each. A privilege has also been granted to ALEXANDER SEURAT for smelting ores by his new process.

Monuments are to be erected at Santiago to the distinguished Chilian patriots O'HIGGINS, CARRERA and PORZALES.

The Intendante of Santiago had invited the co-operation of householders in repairing the streets, also, of the bakers, in lowering the price of bread.

A decree orders the Tahitian flag to be placed on the same terms of reciprocity as the French.

Two brigs, the *Cæsar Helena* and the *Gaasbeek*, have arrived at the port of Morett with 300 German emigrants, sent forward by the agent of the Chilian Colonization Society, and destined for the colonization of Llanquihue. On their arrival aid was rendered them to facilitate their settlement.

On the 20th the Valparaiso Literary and Scientific Society held its first meeting; Mr. LLOYD, engineer of the Santiago railroad, delivered a discourse on the occasion, which was much praised. Rev. Mr. R. DENNETT also addressed the meeting.

On the 18th, the ladies of the Holy Heart had a grand celebration in Santiago, in honor of the opening of that institution, the object of which is to protect poor young women from the temptations of vice. Thirty young women, from 15 to 26 years of age, took refuge in the institution on the day of its opening. *El Mercurio* says, "the ceremony was the sublimest ever presented by Christian philanthropy." New-York would do well to emulate Santiago in this respect, and establish a "Holy Heart" on a grand scale. If Chile would get rid of the absurd ecclesiastical law which forbids marriages between Catholics and Protestants, she would save many poor girls and some rich ones from prostitution.

General ECHENIQUE, late President of Peru, had chartered a vessel to take himself and followers to Peru, to take part in the revolution, but it being found the vessel had no papers, she was stopped by the Custom House authorities. They were looking for another vessel.

The new 20-gun steamship *Esmeralda*, just out from England, where she was built, was going to Peru, but with what object was not known.

A class of vagabonds, in much vogue in New-York, known with you as pettifoggers, but in Chili as *tinterillos*, have been kicking up a little muss in Valparaiso. The editor of *El Mercurio* having called upon the law to suppress these nuisances, or as the editor expresses it, "to prevent them from meddling with other people's business," they considered themselves aggrieved, and commenced a suit against him for libel. A Jury declared him culpable; but a second Jury, who "were to classify the crime and fix the sentence," declared the editor absolved, and dismissed the cases. Sensible Jury, that latter one.

The copper mines of Copiapo were paying so enormous a profit that they were attracting the public attention.

Dried, untanned or salted hides will no longer be considered as *ceina*, i. e., admitted on the same terms as dried beef, but will be subjected to the usual duty of 25 per cent. Chewing and smoking tobacco will in future be reckoned "as monopolized."

Flour was scarce at Concepcion, at $9 75 the 200 pound sack; for the Ramos and Ferrer brand $11, at six months, was paid. Santiago, San Cristobal, and Santo Domingo, brought $11 25, six months. Wheat was scarce at Concepcion, at $5 50 the fanega. In Santiago there is not a single bag disposable for exportation. It was still feared the "polville," or rust, would injure the crop.

The markets still continue dull. All articles of merchandise are abundant, except sugar and coffee, of which the stocks are small, or held for higher prices. Cottons were dull, except American gray shirting, which was scarce. Carolina rice, $6 67 to $7 per barrel. Lard, $20 per quintal, in tins; $16 75 in kegs. White paint wanted. Tallow, good Montevideo and American, $14 to $15; some had arrived from California mixed with bad flour. Carpetings and muslins slow of sale. Cotton and woollen fabrics of fashionable patterns, superior barege and tapestry, scarce and in demand. Liquors, wines and oils plenty and low. Saltpetre, last sales, $2 37½.

In freights, vessels for the guano trade are taken at higher figures. Nitrate from Iquique to Cork, for orders, at £3 2s. 4d.; to the Continent, £3 12s. 6d. Wheat and flour from Talcahuano to Sidney, £2 10s. to £3. Ores from Caldera to Liverpool, £3 15s. American bark *Rocky Mines* was chartered to take guano from Chincha to Havre at £4 7s. 6d. F. W. R.

News from Australia.

ONE DAY LATER—A CASE OF SACRILEGE—ADVANTAGES OF DIRECT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PANAMA AND AUSTRALIA.

We have only one day later from Sidney to October 14. The *Herald* does not contain a particle of news of commercial or other especial interest. At Campbelltown some scoundrels had entered the Catholic Church, torn down the altar, broken the crucifixes, tore and knotted the robes, hangings and screens, scattered the sacred vessels about, and in fact destroyed everything they could lay their sacrilegious hands upon. The people of the town held an indignation meeting and subscribed £150 to repair damages.

Our correspondent writing from Panama, says:

"There is an American family in Panama bound to New-York. They left Sidney October 14, were detained nearly a fortnight in Valparaiso for the British steamer, ten days here for the New-York steamer, and will arrive in New-York after a lengthy and very expensive voyage of three months. With steamers direct to Panama, six or seven weeks would have been saved, and more than half the expense. The British have for a long time talked of establishing a line to Australia across this Isthmus. It will no doubt furnish the quickest communication England can have with her colony.

News from the West Indies.

CONDITION OF JAMAICA—ESCAPED AFRICANS DISCOVERED IN A BOAT OFF BARBADOES—NEWS FROM ANTIGUA—FLOURISHING CONDITION OF DOMINICA.

We receive by the *George Law* files of Kingston (Jamaica) papers to the 24th ult. There is scarcely an item of news.

In reviewing the resources of the island, the Cornwall *Chronicle* says:

"A resection of some kind would be necessary to resuscitate Jamaica from her present drooping and sickly condition, and nothing would sooner do so than some important additional article of manufacture than sugar."

In Barbadoes there had been held anniversary meetings of the religious bodies of an interesting character—those of the Wesleyans and the Church Missionary Society, presided over by Governor HINCKS, and the Moravians by the Attorney-General.

This island was again to be deprived of the invaluable services of Colonial Secretary WALKER, who had received instructions to remain for an indefinite period, the government of Grenada.

A schooner-rigged boat had been boarded by the assistant Harbor Master, five miles to leeward of Barbadoes, and on which had been detected [illegible]

[illegible] Havana.

[illegible] City, Captain [illegible], on the 3d inst., at 4 A. M., with [illegible] and a heavy [illegible] 8 P. M. The Empire City transferred her mails and passengers to steamship *Orizaba* [illegible] ing, and sailed at noon for New-York, where she arrived yesterday.

On the 9th inst., lat. 25° 42', lon. 79° 40', she changed signals with bark [illegible], lat. 29° 10', lon. 78° 40', saw bark [illegible] a bark showing [illegible] it. The Empire City has experienced very heavy westerly weather south of Hatteras.

PROBABLE SUPPRESSION OF CHACONY.—THE SLAVE DEPÔT—BUSINESS AT HAVANA.

Correspondence of the New-York Daily Times.

HAVANA, Thursday, Jan. 1, 1857.

Our last steamer from Vera Cruz gave us [illegible] ing of more recent date than you have received.

It is probable that CHACONY will escape the extreme penalty for having carried out and [illegible] the recent conspiracy at the "Isle of Pines." Had the Government of the United States paid more attention to the cases of CHACONY and his associates, who were illegally tried and condemned by the Captain-General of Spain for being engaged in bringing slaves from the coast of Africa to Cuba, the execution of CHACONY, under the influence of despair, would not have taken place. We are expecting all the prisoners here, some of them have already arrived of those implicated in the frustrated attempt.

The holidays have passed with the usual demonstrations. Our streets were filled with masquerades of all the class of Ali's Bazaar [illegible] dressing and dancing, and hideous [illegible] trol our senses. We are rejoiced to be once more free of these things, and enabled to return to the every-day affairs of life.

Our stock of new sugars is 3,000 hogsheads, 16,000 boxes—no prices determined since the former have passed—and no transactions. Exchanges, New-York, 4¼ to 6% discount; other Northern points, 6% to 7 do.; New-Orleans, 4% to 5 do. Freights are improving, and there is some demand for vessels for the European trade. The health of the city good, and weather favorable.

HORRIBLE MURDER.—The Starkville (Miss.) *Advocate* contains the particulars of the murder of ROBERT BURNS, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, "in that place, by Dr. W. D. [illegible] whom he had had a difficulty a few days before. "Going near Burns's stable, Dr. [illegible] buggy, and walked within about [illegible] Burns, who was engaged in harnessing his horse, beckoned to a negro who was standing near [illegible] out of the way, as the murderous [illegible] and firing. At the instant of his firing Burns [illegible] around and received the contents of the gun full in the face. The reason his [illegible] fell to the earth, exclaiming: 'My God!' Upon this [illegible] advanced within ten paces, and fired the second shot, the whole charge taking effect in his [illegible] Dr. [illegible] STEVARTCOTTY approached him, and drawing a pistol put it close to his head and shot [illegible] eyeball from its socket; then pouring the contents of his breast, he fired a fourth shot into the body of the already dead man. Mrs. BURNS and her children rushed from the house screaming, while Dr. [illegible] coolly walked away, got into his buggy, and drove off."

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News from California, Central America and the South Pacific.

The United States mail steamship *George Law*, with the California mail of the 20th ult., and $1,200,177 in treasure, arrived at this port yesterday morning. The most important event that has taken place in California during the fortnight ending Dec. 20, is a decision rendered by the Supreme Court of the State, declaring that an act passed by the last Legislature, appropriating $100,000 for the construction of a wagon road from Sierra Nevada to the Sacramento Valley, is unconstitutional. The principle upon which this decision stands is to be found in the 8th article of the Constitution of California, which enacts that no debt can be contracted by the State exceeding in amount $300,000 over and above the annual revenue, unless the matter be submitted to the direct vote of the people. As none of the State bills have been submitted to the decision of the people, the whole amount, except the $300,000, is, therefore, virtually declared invalid. The decision, upon which such serious results depend, has caused great excitement throughout the country, and is almost the sole topic of newspaper discussion. The question of repudiation is raised, but only to be denounced by every journal in California, without a single exception. We give, elsewhere, various articles on the subject from the most prominent newspapers of San Francisco. In addition to the decision under consideration, the Supreme Court has also held that the City of San Francisco is not, by the terms of her charter of Incorporation, *legally responsible for certain warrants* issued by the municipal officers during several years back to the extent of about a million and a half of dollars. Another decision declares that the City is not liable to repay the money received for the sale of certain slip property in 1853, which was afterwards found to be illegal; and a third decision holds that the city is not liable for the sum of $400,000 agreed to be paid by agents in former years for certain property on the plaza. These decisions all involve the question of repudiation, but at a meeting of merchants and business men, held in San Francisco, it was resolved that the faith of the State required the just and true payment of her entire indebtedness, constitutional or unconstitutional. We have further news of interest from California in the indictment and arrest of JOSE Y. LIMANTOUR, and the appearance of the forged Mexican grants under which that notorious individual claimed half of the City of San Francisco. The whole fraud was revealed by LIMANTOUR's Secretary and accomplice, whose confessions, together with an interesting account of the mode pursued by the Government to convict the criminal, will be read with interest. From Washington Territory we learn that a severe engagement took place at Teekalet on the 20th of November between the officers and men of the steamer *Massachusetts* and the Puget-Sound Indians. The *latter were defeated with* a loss of 20 killed and 21 wounded. There was only one of the ship's crew killed.

On the 19th ult. the *Orizaba* arrived at San Francisco from San Juan del Sur, bringing advices from that port to the 3d of December—four days later than we have received in New-York. It is reported that on the 8th December, General WALKER went to Rivas with some 450 men, and that on the next night he was attacked at St. George on the Lake Shore. The enemy were severely repulsed. By advices from Punta Arenas to the 17th of December, we learn that CANAS, the Costa Rican General, was near Rivas with 600 men, and we conclude, therefore, that the attack was made by him. The allies are said to be 2,000 strong. WALKER's available force was reckoned at 900.

Our South American advices are interesting. Our Panama correspondent, in a letter published elsewhere, furnishes us with an intelligent resumé of the news. The Revolution in Paris gains ground, and there is now every probability that CASTILLA will eventually be deposed from the Presidency. The important town of Truxillo had declared in favor of General VIVANCO, and this, together with the defection (previously reported) of the first class frigate *Apurimac*, would alone almost settle the question. CASTILLA is, nevertheless, a bold, determined man, and the revolutionists will have hard work ere they complete his overthrow.

The British squadron had not commenced the threatened blockade of New Granadian ports, when the *George Law* left Aspinwall.

CALIFORNIA BONDS.—The news of the decision of the Supreme Court of California in relation to the State Bonds caused a decline of three securities yesterday in Wall-street, of ten per cent. But this decision is not repudiation, and, judging from the almost unanimous tone of the press, there is very little cause for apprehending that there will be anything like repudiation by the people. The damage inflicted [illegible] by the suspension [illegible] and the repudiation of [illegible] have cost the country millions [illegible] would be well [illegible]

[illegible] of the State, if the people were to take advantage of a technical shelter to avoid the payment of a just debt. We do not believe there will be any repudiation, and the holders of California bonds should not sacrifice them.

Mr. Meagher's Parole Again.

We published yesterday morning a speech made by Mr. T. F. MEAGHER before a Club of his personal and political friends, upon the fifth anniversary of his escape from the imprisonment to which he had been sentenced for political offences against the British Government. In that speech Mr. MEAGHER alluded to the circumstances of his escape and to the comments that have been made upon the manner in which it was effected: and recalled public attention to a letter written by himself on the 5th of June, 1852, as giving his own statement of the whole affair.

It had wholly escaped our recollection, as we presume it had that of the public at large, that any such letter had ever been written, or that Mr. MEAGHER himself had ever given to the public any account of the exact circumstances under which he made his escape from custody. In justice to him, as well as for the information of the public, we republish the letter:

GLEN COVE, June 6, 1852.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

DEAR SIR: In consequence of some misstatements regarding my escape, which I have just seen in two or three of the European papers, and which appear to have been copied from an Australian paper, I think it right to set the true facts of the case before the American public, to whom alone I now hold myself responsible.

The remarkable kindness I have experienced from the press and the public generally ever since my arrival in this noble country, and the anxiety I feel to have it understood that I am not deficient in the honorable spirit which qualifies a stranger to become its citizen, compel me to break the silence which no act or word on the part of my enemies could ever disturb.

The facts are these:

In the month of April, 1851, I was called upon to renew my *parole*. I did so in writing, and in the following words:

"*I hereby pledge my word of honor not to leave the Colony so long as I hold a ticket of leave.*"

I handed this pledge to the Police Magistrate in the open Court. Any one can see it who desires to refer to it.

Towards the end of December, the same year, I came to the determination of attempting my escape. Accordingly, on the 3d of January last, I sent the following letter to the Police Magistrate of the District in which I resided:

LAKE SOREL, DISTRICT OF CAMPBELLTOWN, SATURDAY, Jan. 3, 1852.

SIR: Circumstances of a recent occurrence impose upon me the necessity of resigning my ticket of leave, and consequently withdrawing my parole.

I write this letter, therefore, respectfully to apprise you that, after 12 o'clock to-morrow noon, I shall no longer consider myself bound by the obligation which that *parole* imposes.

In the meantime, however, *should you conceive it your duty to take me into custody, I shall, as a matter of course, regard myself as wholly absolved from the restraint which my word of honor to your Government at present imposes.*

I have the honor to be, Sir, with sincere respect,
Your obedient servant,
THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER.

To the Police Magistrate of the District of Campbelltown.

The Police Magistrate received this letter at 11 o'clock the same morning; I remained in my cottage at Lake Sorel until 7 o'clock that evening. A few minutes after that hour four of my friends arrived on horseback, and communicated to me the intelligence *that the Police were coming to arrest me. I went* out with them into the bush, and remained there, about 300 yards from the cottage, until my servant brought the news that the Police had arrived and were sitting in the kitchen. We mounted our horses, immediately, and rode down to the cottage. One hundred yards from it my friends drew up. I rode on until I came close to the stable, which was within pistol-shot of the kitchen door. *I drew up there*, and desired the servant to go in and tell the Police I was waiting for them. He did so. Two or three minutes elapsed. The Police appeared. The moment they appeared I rose in my stirrups and called out that I *was their prisoner*. They came to arrest me, and *I defied them to do so. This challenge was echoed by my friends* with three loud and hearty cheers, in the midst of which I struck spurs to my horse and dashed into the wood in the direction of the coast. Accompanied by my generous and courageous-hearted friends, I reached the sea-shore on Monday afternoon, at a point where a boat was in readiness to receive me. I jumped from my horse, got into the boat, put off to sea, and beat about there for a few days, until the ship came up which, thank God, bore me, at last, to a free and hospitable land.

In plain words these are the facts of the case. As I have written them here, they were written by one of my friends at the house where we changed horses on our way to the coast. The manuscript containing them was forwarded next morning, Tuesday, to the editor of the leading journal of the Colony, and bore the names of my friends, written by their own hands, in attestation of its truth. The gentleman to whom it was sent, was instructed not to publish the names that were attached to it. He was, however, at the same time requested to insert the document itself in the next number of his paper, and was left at full liberty to show the signatures to any person who might wish to be satisfied upon the subject, and would pledge his honor not to abuse the confidence reposed in him by involving the parties concerned, in any legal difficulty.

The men who vouched with their signatures for the truth of the statement then made, and now repeated, are men of considerable property and highly creditable position in the Colony, and no one there would be rash enough to speak a single word derogatory of their honor. I have the honor to be

Your faithful and grateful servant,
THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER.

We have marked certain portions of this statement in italics, as containing the points upon which a judgment in the matter will turn. It does not differ in any essential particular from the letter which we published on the 30th ult., and which was avowedly written by one of the friends who aided Mr. MEAGHER's escape. In two points only do we notice any variation. That letter stated that in his *parole* Mr. MEAGHER pledged himself that he "would not *attempt* to leave the Colony" while he held the ticket of leave;—Mr. MEAGHER states that the *pledge was "not to leave the Colony."* The other point relates to the precise manner in which Mr. MEAGHER was accompanied by his friends upon offering himself for arrest. Mr. MEAGHER states that *they* "drew up about 100 yards from the cottage" in which were the police, while he "rode up within pistol-shot of the kitchen door." The letter, on the contrary, gives the following detailed account of the disposition of the several parties:

"On the suggestion of the body-guard, MEAGHER immediately mounted a noble steed which had been provided, and, accompanied by his four guards, all well mounted, rode up to the police *in the following order*: The Belfasha and Silvermines man, one on his *left* and the other *on his right hand, the writer* (who is also a Tipperary man) *about four paces in advance*, and the fourth, the native youth referred, *close in the rear*, with the view of preventing sudden surprise by constables, supposed to be secreted in the thicket or "scrub," as we call it.

When about a dozen paces from the cottage, our rear-guard called "Halt!" and MEAGHER at the same time directed attention to two men supposed to be policemen, coming from a boat on the lake, and within a few paces of my horse. I immediately called on them to stand, which they obeyed.

Mr. MEAGHER then said, "Are you there, Constable DUFFY? (the chief constable's name.) The reply was to me inarticulate. MEAGHER responded—"I am MEAGHER. No longer sheltered by my parole, I am about to escape if I can—and your duty is to take me into custody if you can, &c."

Upon any point of discrepancy, Mr. MEAGHER's statement is, of course, entitled to the preference. We assume, therefore, its accuracy in all respects.

Mr. MEAGHER, it will be seen, gave the Police Magistrate written notice at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 3d *of January*, that "after 12 o'clock, noon, of the next day," he should consider himself no longer bound by his *parole*. The natural supposition was, that up to that time he *should* consider himself bound by it. With this understanding his course thus far was perfectly plain and proper. He had given the Magistrate twenty-five hours' notice of his intention to withdraw his *parole*,—and the evident object of so doing was that the Magistrate might have time, on his part, to withdraw the privileges and liberties which the *parole* had purchased. But, with a singular confusion of ideas, Mr. MEAGHER proceeds immediately to notify the Magistrate that this is not his object,—that he does not intend to surrender those privileges, by withdrawing the *parole* that had procured them, and that, although he had fixed upon noon of the next day as the hour when his word of honor would cease to have binding force, if "*in the meantime*" the magistrate "should conceive it his duty to take him into custody," he should "regard himself *as wholly absolved*" from its obligation. In other words, he informs the magistrate that his *parole* will terminate *twenty-five hours* after he receives this notice;—but that if he attempts in consequence of it to arrest him, it will terminate *instantly*. This sounds very much like an Irish *bull*,—but we see no possibility of regarding it *in any other light*.

This view of the matter, moreover, is fully confirmed by Mr. MEAGHER's proceedings when the attempt to take him into custody was made. He awaited the arrival of the police and thus seemed to acknowledge the duty of returning to custody. He declared himself "their prisoner,"—and thereby acknowledged that he ought, upon withdrawing his *parole*, to become so. And yet, after this verbal surrender, in the very next breath, he "*defied* them to arrest him,"—defied them, in other words, to make him, what he had just declared himself voluntarily to be,—"their prisoner;"—the defiance "was echoed by his friends with three loud and hearty cheers,"—and in the midst of the defiance, the echoes and the cheers, Mr. MEAGHER "struck spurs to his horse and dashed away."

This is Mr. MEAGHER's own account of his escape from imprisonment. In his speech on Monday night Mr. MEAGHER says the act thus described "no gentleman of honor questions." This involves two distinct questions, the first, whether Mr. MEAGHER violated the word of honor he had given to the British Government; and the second, whether the emergency in which he was placed justified the course he adopted. The last point has never been so brought before the public as to render necessary the expression of any opinion upon it. With regard to the other, we cannot avoid the conviction, from his own statement, that, unless the *parole* of a person in custody implies much less than it is generally supposed to imply, it was, in spirit at all events, violated by Mr. MEAGHER.

GOVERNMENT ARTISTS.—We are under obligations to Hon. Mr. VALK for eliciting the fact that Government keeps in its employ a salaried architect whose duty it is to make plans and architectural designs for all new buildings of every kind in every part of the country. Until Mr. VALK's letter appeared we must confess that we were wholly ignorant of the existence of such a functionary, and we consequently know nothing of the peculiar qualifications of the gentleman holding this responsible office. He may, for aught we know to the contrary, be a Sansovino or a Palladio, and he should possess the ability of half a dozen great architects to be able to perform all that will be required of him. England has thought it necessary to invite the competition of all the architects of the world to furnish designs for the new Government buildings which are to be erected in London; but our Secretary of the Treasury takes the responsibility of employing an architect to make designs for all the public edifices which Government may have occasion to construct, and we can easily conceive what the result must be of making them all after one pattern. But, if the office of Government Architect is to be a permanent one, it would be no more than just to the people that, in so important a matter, they should be allowed to have some voice in selecting the incumbent.

We learn from our Washington correspondent that Government has not only appointed a national architect, but also sent to France for an eminent French artist to come over and decorate the walls of the new Capitol. HORACE VERNET, the artist in question, cannot be *objected to on the score of his ability, and in* painting battle pieces he is, no doubt, a greater expert than any our of own painters. But, while we have artists of our own we cannot but think they should have the preference in decorating the walls of our national Capitol, even though they may be inferior to foreign ones within our call. When Congress framed a law, some years since, for the purpose of procuring pictures to fill the vacant panels in the rotunda of the capitol it was expressly stipulated that none but native artists should be employed, and to guard against favoritism, or an error of judgment, a commission was created, consisting of some of the most eminent in men the country, to whom was intrusted the power of selecting the proper artists. But the present Administration appears to have thought itself competent to employ artists without any interference on the part of the people.

CONGRESS.—In the Senate, yesterday, the Submarine Telegraph bill was reported back from the Post-Office Committee, without amendment, and made the special order for to-day. The House bill for the relief of MARY REESIDE, which has been before Congress twelve or fifteen years, was then debated, and passed, after an amendment striking out the allowance for interest.

In the House a resolution was adopted instructing the Committee on Commerce to make inquiry relative to shipwrecks and loss of life on the Long Island and Jersey coasts. The Message was again considered, and speeches were made by Messrs. BUGLEY, against, and BOWIE, in support of, the positions taken by the President. The document was referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Tariff bill was discussed by Mr. CAMPBELL, of Ohio, who stated that a majority of the Committee of Ways and Means desired, by the extension of the free list, to give incidental protection, and that the bill offered would reduce the revenue from more than $10,000,000. It was also their intention to simplify the collection of the revenue, and to materially reduce the expenses of the Custom House.

THE LEGISLATURE.—Among the bills reported favorably in the Senate yesterday, was the Brooklyn Water bill. A memorial was presented from the Chamber of Commerce praying for a modification of the Usury laws. Bills were introduced to amend the charter of the Inebriate Asylum, to regulate the interest on money notices, and to build a residence for the Governor. The Harbor Commission bill was sent to the Governor for signature.

In the Assembly, bills to amend the Brooklyn Firemen's act, and to enable the Brooklyn Court of Sessions to hold terms, were passed. A monster petition from citizens of this City was presented, praying for a Sanitary Police. Another bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors was introduced; also a resolution declaring it inexpedient to pass a prohibitory liquor law, but that there should be a stringent license law—which was laid over.

A BUCHANAN DEFEAT IN PENNSYLVANIA.—The friends of FORNEY must have been prepared for his defeat, and yet, if they had not believed they could elect him, it is rather surprising that they should have subjected him to the mortification of so prompt and decided a rejection by the Legislature of Pennsylvania. Since he has failed in the attempt to be elected a Senator, he will have to be provided for in some other manner. *His rejection is a defeat* of Mr. BUCHANAN, who will, of course, see that he is amply compensated for his disappointment. The election of Gen. CAMERON will throw all the Cabinet arrangements for the new Administration into confusion again, and lead to new speculations and combinations.

Hugh Miller.

The late HUGH MILLER, of Cromarty, was in all respects a remarkable man. Very rich in natural gifts, and very poor in pocket, the stone-mason of Cromarty carved out his way in the world by dint of sharp and sturdy blows, and made himself what he was—a famous man—solely through strength of will and never-varying purpose. Descended from a line of seafaring ancestors, whose perilous life enabled but few of the male side of the house to die peacefully in heir beds, HUGH was no exception to the general rule—coming to his death, though not upon the sea, by violent means, and ending his days as curiously as he began them. The story of his life was full of a peculiar interest, and the man merits more attention than that which is commonly bestowed in the space of a brief obituary.

HUGH MILLER was born Oct. 10, 1802, in "a long, low house" in Cromarty, Scotland, built by his great-grandfather, "the buccaneer," as HUGH called him. The father was master of a schooner which traded for kelp among the Hebrides. The mother was very young when she married, and HUGH was her first child. The couple seem to have been most happily mated. He was 44, and she but 18, but this disparity of age interfered in no way with the cordial, mutual regard they cherished. The husband was of a sunny temper, never known to be put out of humor but once,—on which occasion he thrashed two sailors who were maltreating a little lad in a shameful way,—and for *the whole six years of his wedded life* never gave his wife a cross word. In short, the elder MILLER was a pattern to his sex; and, for all that we hear to the contrary, Mrs. MILLER was a model wife and mother. But earthly things are very uncertain, and even the best of people sometimes find it impossible to avert misfortune. One day, when HUGH *had just completed his fifth year*, there was a dreadful tempest, against whose fury neither MILLER's craft nor those of many others were able to stand, and nothing more was ever seen of vessel, cargo, or master. HUGH, in narrating this event, says his memory, "which awoke early," was always painfully impressed by a remarkable vision, occurring simultaneously with the disaster, which he describes: "Day had not wholly disappeared, but it was fast posting on to night, and a gray haze spread a neutral tint of dimness over every more distant object, but left the nearer ones comparatively distinct, when I saw at the open door, within less than a yard of my breast, as plainly as ever I saw anything, a dissevered hand and arm stretched towards me. Hand and arm were apparently those of a female; they bore a livid and sodden appearance; and directly fronting me, where the body ought to have been, there was only blank, transparent space, through which I could see the dim forms of the objects beyond. I was fearfully startled, and ran shrieking to my mother, telling what I had seen. I communicate the story (he adds) as it lies fixed in my memory, without attempting to explain it. *Its coincidence* in this case, with the probable time of my father's death, seems at least curious." The family now consisted of only four, HUGH having two little sisters. The father had left no property, and but for the assistance afforded by two of Mrs. MILLER's brothers, the bereaved household would have fared but poorly. *For these two uncles*—JAMES and ALEXANDER—HUGH cherished the utmost affection, *and they seem to have been the widow's main reliance in the time of her greatest suffering.*

Previous to his father's death, HUGH had been sent to an old dame's school, where he learned to pronounce letters in a fashion so very old-fashioned and Scottish, that he declared in after life that he found the process of spelling a word aloud a very difficult one—the "*aa's* and *ee's*, and *uh's* and *ess's* returning upon me (he says) so that I have to translate them as I go along into the more modish sounds." His rudimentary knowledge of letters was acquired by studying the sign-posts of the place—"rare works of art, that excited the utmost admiration, with jugs, and glasses, and bottles, and ships, and loaves of bread upon them, all of which could, as the artists had intended, be actually recognized." During his sixth year, the boy spelt his way through the orthodox Scots catalogue—Shorter Catechism, Proverbs, New Testament, and all. Then he launched out into the larger field of literature, and perused the thrilling narratives of Jack the Giant-Killer, Blue-Beard, and Sinbad the Sailor,—all of which, and more, were contained in a snug library formed of a box of birch-bark, nine inches square. HUGH was proud of his library, and proud of his acquirements. Every Sabbath evening, all the young ones were regularly catechized by the uncles aforesaid. In his tenth year, HUGH averred, he first became thoroughly a Scot. It came about through reading the doggerel ballads of Blind Harry's "WALLACE." Entering, finally, the grammar-school of the parish, HUGH was introduced to the acquaintanceship of a hundred and twenty boys, all of whom found great temptation to shirk study, that they might watch the curing of fish that was going on outside, hard by the door, upon the killing-place on the beach. The parish schoolmaster was a scholar and an honest man, and pushed the lads along as rapidly as they would consent to be pushed. He presently contrived to push young HUGH into Latin, and then the lad set about learning other things, on private account. Among his favorite reports was the seashore, covered at that point with water-rolled fragments of the primary rocks, derived from the wave during the age of the boulder clay. The boy soon learned to take a deep interest in searching over the pebbles which chance threw up by some storm, and in testing comparisons and observations which in a lad [illegible] young and enlightened, [illegible] whole. HUGH seems to have [illegible] He had [illegible] —he met him then by [illegible] quisitive numerals, and in this way [illegible] quired a definite knowledge of the geologic structure of the rocks which covered the beach. Formerly, he discovered, in some out-of-the-way corner, in an old hammer, more than a hundred years before the prevailing fashion of hammers, and with this interesting implement he began at once to [illegible] all the hard rocks that came in his way, and undertook little scientific exploring trips in every direction,—coming back heavy-laden with specimens. On one of these occasions, he was hugely delighted at finding a few sheets of beautiful black mica imbedded in a large-grained granite;—but when, not long afterwards, he exhumed from the depths of a sandy ravine an unmistakable fossilized elk's horn, it was hard to say whether he or "Uncle JAMES" was proudest of the discovery.

But playing truant from school to hunt for geological specimens was not exactly the thing. School life came to an end, and HUGH, now grown to a stout youth, had to choose his path for life. His mother, after a long widowhood of eleven years, had entered into a second marriage, and the young man found himself, as he expresses it, "standing face to face with a life of labor and restraint. The necessity (he says) of ever toiling from morning to night, and from one week's end to another, and all for a little coarse food and homely raiment, seemed to be a dire one, and fain would I have avoided it; but there was no escape, and so I determined on being a mason." "Labor shall not wield over me, I said, a rod entirely black, but a rod like one of Jacob's peeled wands, checkered black and white alternately." And this was the secret of his success. He worked hard. He was not ashamed of drudging work. He contrived to make himself known as a skillful workman and a man of sharp intelligence, and held "that it was better to be a poor mason, better be anything honest, however humble," than to undertake too much and fail to do anything. So, against the wish of his uncles, who expected to see him rise in some of the learned professions, he went into the quarries, and hammered stone with unwearied perseverance. From the stone-quarries to scientific geology was a natural transition—for, as he himself says, in that charming Autobiography, *My Schools and Schoolmasters*, "Who, after once spending even a few hours in such a school, could avoid being a geologist?" In the pauses of work, he had time to undertake numerous expeditions, in all of which he kept a vigilant eye upon the geological formations of the country, and it was at about this period that he began that series of careful, minute investigations which resulted in his magnificent work on the *Old Red Sandstone*.

At the end of June, 1828, work failed him. He was at the time in Inverness, and solicited, through the newspapers of that place, employment as a marble-cutter. But none came, and he turned his thoughts in another direction, and that direction was literature. At various times he had tried his hand at versifying. The poet's corner in chemical papers had attractions for him; he tinkered an "Ode to the Moon," which was submitted to the supervision of the minister, was sent to the editor, and was by him ignominiously rejected. He next passed a volume of verse through the press—which a vicious elocutionist utterly demolished. Other literary labors succeeded each other with considerable rapidity, and among them was a brief autobiographic sketch, which gained him reputation among those friends who encouraged these early efforts. He returned to Cromarty, and took an active part in the controversies of Church and State which agitated his townsfolk. The growth of the popular element in the country attracted his attention, and he watched with intense anxiety the progress of the Reform Bill for Scotland. Then came the news of the French Revolution. In all these public questions, Mr. MILLER was deeply interested—but not so much so but he could find time to fall in love, and some three or four years later, married. He became in turn a banker's clerk, a schoolteacher, an author and an editor. The struggles of the Free Church of Scotland enlisted his warmest sympathy, and the Edinburgh *Witness*, of which he became the responsible conductor, was established in the year 1840, as the organ of that party in the Church. Mr. MILLER was still editor of this paper at the time of his death.

In this strangely checkered life, HUGH MILLER stands out in all relations as a man of patient industry, unflinching perseverance, and unstained integrity. His contributions to science, the result of long and elaborate investigation, have given him a claim to the highest rank, and his championship of the Free Church stamps him as no mean theologian.

MARINE MATTERS.

More Shipwrecks and Rescued Crews.

The *Enoch Train* is a powerful steam tug propeller employed in connection with the steamer *R. B. Forbes*, in Boston Harbor and Bay, in rendering relief to disabled vessels. The *Enoch Train*, Captain HENNESSEY, which arrived at Boston, Monday, says there was a report at Holmes Hole, on Friday last, that a ship bound to Boston with two wrecked crews on board, was off No Man's Land, same day, and short of provisions; probably ship *California*, SAWYER, from Surinam, spoken Dec. 29, when she had on board the crew of brig *Vesta Ellen*, and also the crew of another vessel, name unknown.

A BOSTON VESSEL CUT THROUGH BY ICE.

The Boston and New-York packet *J. W.*, loaded with bales of domestics for the East India market, when near the west bank, yesterday, was cut through by ice, and filled. The Captain stuck by his vessel and got her into shoal water, near Vanderbilt Dock, where the leak was stopped. She probably came up to town last night.

RELIEF VESSEL DISPATCHED TO CRUISE ON THE COAST.

The New-York Board of Underwriters, yesterday, dispatched the new schooner *S. S. Bird* with a good supply of provisions and water and clothing, amounting in value to near a thousand dollars; also, with extra men to cruise off this coast in search of vessels in distress. Success to their humane mission.

THE DISABLED SCHOONER MUSIC.

This vessel, fallen in with by ship *Vancouver*, Jan. 4, and supplied with water, has not since been heard from. The pilot of boat *Washington*, No. 2, which boarded the ship, says a fifty gallon cask of water was thrown overboard, which the schooner picked up. Her captain was told that Sandy Hook bore N. N. W. 200 miles. It is for the relief of this class of distressed vessels that the Underwriters have sent out the relief schooner.

The schooner *Wing of the Wind* was fallen in with by pilot boat *A. H. Nelson*, 75 miles E. S. E. of Sandy Hook, Sunday, in a disabled condition, and by request of the Captain was taken in tow and brought as far as the Hook, where they encountered so much ice, they found it necessary to employ steam-tug *Shultz*, Capt. SWIZER, to tow them to the City. While passing through the Narrows the tug attempted to escape the ice by taking an in-shore route, which was clear of ice, when the pilot boat and schooner were both run aground; the tug then let them go without ceremony and left. They have both been got out of their bad position, and have reached the City.

Several schooners are reported ice-bound near Hurigate, and some of them in a critical situation.

Pilot-boat *Washington*, No. 2, returned, yesterday, from a cruise 120 miles eastward, but saw nothing inward bound, nor no vessels in distress.

BURNING OF THE STEAM TOW-BOAT C. P. SMITH.

The alarm of fire in the First District, about 4 o'clock this morning, was caused by the burning of the steam tow-boat *C. P. Smith*, at the foot of Jackson-street, East River. The fire originated from the boiler, and spread to the wood work, which was soon enveloped in flames. The engineer, who was sleeping on board, was nearly suffocated. The upper works of the boat were badly damaged, but she is not, as has been stated, a total loss, the hull being not much injured. She is owned by HUMPHREY H. CHANEY, is 3 years old, and valued at $10,000. Insured in the Rutgers, Excelsior, and Brooklyn Companies for $8,000.

Brig *Lorcester*, DREIKWATER, which left New-Orleans latter part of November for Mantillian, with lumber and provisions for the Tehuantepec Road Company, was totally lost between the bar of San Pedro and Tabasco, about the 10th of December. The crew of the brig took a boat and succeeded in reaching Tabasco, but subsisted the pass, and all were lost. All the lumber [illegible] Tabasco, [illegible] by a Mexican schooner.

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like clear, frosty air, and the cars, [illegible] a sleigh better than the smoky, ill-ventilated [illegible] to door to the haunts of our stage [illegible]

[illegible] fast horses and their drivers who delight therein. Full close stories of repeated delighting come to from the industry, but all [illegible] would-be sleighriders of Gotham is effectually cut off by the strip of "city property" lying along the East River.

Down on the east end of Long Island, where the storms always begin first and last longest, the snow seems likely to prove a troublesome [illegible] to the great vexation of the Company and all parties unlucky enough to have a call to New-York. A journey there should never be undertaken in the Winter season without a plentiful stock of cold money and patience. All business, social and matrimonial contracts involving such a journey, should include a conditional clause relating to the state of the road. We have the acquaintance of a gentleman who reached Brooklyn at a late hour [illegible] having accomplished a journey of ninety-six miles in six days, at a cost of twenty dollars. Not exactly an open new, so far as Riverhead, and better things are promised.

The Mormons and their Prophet—Mr. Quincy's Lecture.

Before the Mercantile Library Association, at Clinton Hall, Astor-place, last night, Josiah Quincy, Jr., of Boston, delivered, to a rather small audience, a lecture on "The Mormons and their Prophet." The lecturer gave a succinct history of the foundation and progress of that remarkable people, from the first discovery of the book of Mormon, by the prophet SMITH, together with the supposed revelation which enabled him to read and translate the mystic Mormon Scriptures, written, as they were, in the Reformed Egyptian language, to their present triumphant condition at Salt Lake, where they now number hundreds of thousands in population. Mr. QUINCY was personally acquainted with the prophet, and narrated some curious anecdotes respecting him. Joe was a shrewd fellow, and knew how to exhaust the patience of any obnoxious parties he desired to be rid of. Before the doors of such parties he would cause to be seated three of his chosen ones, who were instructed to do nothing but whittle wood. Continually they cut and whittled. If the obnoxious party left his house, they followed him in peace, saying nothing, but persistently whittling as they walked. When he returned, they returned also, and drew again before his door, and whittled. Again when he went forth they followed him and whittled, and on his return they again returned and whittled. They spoke never a word, but they never ceased to whittle. Flesh and blood might bear with patience no longer, but three perpetual whittling Yankees dark and blood would not endure. The whittlers were always in the end triumphant, and the obnoxious or obtuseness party succumbed, or was driven out of the community. Many similar anecdotes kept the audience in good humor, but, while [illegible] illustrated the prophet's shrewdness, left his moral character somewhat questionable. He exhibited the autographs of Moses and Abraham for a quarter of a dollar; said that Adam, before the Fall of Man, went on legs like chickens; told his disciples that they were to obey the precept of Christ—"If a man strike thee on the one cheek turn to him the other also"—by striking into the individual who had left it he struck the other cheek when turned to him. The audience did not learn much that was really new about the prophet, but the lecturer kept them in good humor, and dismissed them satisfactorily.

The Ship of Courtesy.

In the Revolution to be employed for bringing over Captain HAMILTON and crew, the same fine wheel steamer which, with the *Rolla*, *Perry*, *Bainbridge*, *Tit*, *Hastings*, and *Cullinan*, composed the fleet of Admiral DOUGLAS in the Opium War in China? If so, and she has not been essentially remodeled, or improved in her sailing qualities, it will take her more than twelve days to make the passage hither from Liverpool at this season of the year.

Look Out for the Ice.

The *Williamsburg* sidewalks are very slippery just now. JOHN T. RUSSEL, Ex-Postmaster of Williamsburg, fell, in Grand-street on Saturday night, fracturing his arm severely. Why are the walks not cleared?

Rev. Dr. MANAHAN delivered a lecture last night in Hope Chapel for the benefit of the poor children of the Church of the Nativity, in Second-street. His subject was: "The Religious Orders," which he treated, of course, from the Catholic point of view. He traced their origin, their progress, their influence and results, and, as the consequence of a philosophic examination of the usages of Christian society, claimed that they were in a measure a social as well as a religious necessity. He paid an eloquent tribute to the monastic institutions of the middle ages as the depositories of learning and science, and altogether presented a very interesting and instructive review of a very important subject.

A Tragic Affair in a Ball-Room.

The gayeties of a ball at National Hall, in West Forty-fourth-street, on Monday night, were very suddenly terminated by a most tragical event. A Mrs. FREDERICK, while dancing, dropped to the floor, and almost instantly expired. The deceased was taken to her late residence in Broadway, near Fifty-first-street. An inquest was held upon her body by Coroner GAMBLE. The post mortem examination showed that death was caused by disease of the heart, and the Jury so found.

Death from Burns.

JOHN MCINTYRE, a child 8 years old, died yesterday at the residence of his parents, No. 33 Forty-first-street, from burns accidentally received by the clothing taking fire from a grate. Inquest by Coroner GAMBLE. Verdict, "Death from burns."

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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BY THADDEUS W. MEIGHAN.

CHAPTER I.

CLOUD AND SUNSHINE.

"One looked like Juno,
The other, dove-eyed, fragile and retiring,
Appear'd the type of modesty."—*Song Book.*

"I tell you," said the queenly Julia Bowen, casting aside her bonnet with an air of reckleasness mixed with determination, and throwing her heavy velvet cloak upon an ottoman, in one corner of a splendid apartment in a mansion on Twenty-third-street, "I tell you he must be won—won at any sacrifice!"

The girl addressed was undoing her street toilet with perfect coolness and deliberation. She was the reverse of the other in appearance. Julia Bowen was a voluptuous dark and imposing beauty, fully developed, and looking as if she was born to command either men or women. Mary Schuyler was petite, whilish and fair skinned, and seemed created for dependence and obedience. Her mild blue eyes, veiled by the dark fringe of the drooping lids, contrasted most strikingly with the imperious, piercing black eye of her companion. The latter expressed self-reliance and daring, the former diffidence and meekness.

"Send he well," said Mary, in a low soft tone. "Must is a formidable word, Julia."

"For you, perhaps—for me it has no terrors. I repeat—he must be won."

"Do you love him really? I begin to fear you do," Mary, as she uttered these words, modestly took a seat beside Julia.

"*Love him!*"

The imperious beauty started to her feet, as she scornfully gave vent to this exclamation, and then paced the floor with a hurried and uneven gait, baring her broad forehead with her nervous hands, and breathing like a high-mettled racer about to contend with a spirited adversary.

"What else but love could move you so deeply?" quietly asked Mary. She betrayed no emotion, yet a close, a very close observer would have seen that although her eyelids drooped, a glance of deep and earnest inquiry was shot from beneath them.

"Would you know?" asked Julia, suddenly curbing her vehemence, and resuming her seat; "listen—there is but one other passion that can move us as deeply as Love, and that is HATE!"

"Why should you hate him? He has never done you an injury."

"He has! He has dared to pretend affection for me, and then treat me with indifference."

"Which," remarked Mary, with a demure smile, "should be met with indifference."

"I have tried that plan," said Julia quickly, "but it has proven ineffectual."

"Let him go. There are others that do love you. Encourage them."

"Never. That man shall not live who can say that Julia Bowen was rejected by him. If I do not bring him to my feet, he will have the power to say so, for I have manifested a preference in his favor so publicly that it has been the theme of gossip everywhere."

"But you say you did not *feel* that preference."

"The world thinks I did."

"Who cares for the world?" exclaimed Mary, with an oil sigh.

"I do!—*you do*; yes, calmly as glides the current of your life, you care for the world and its opinions. I—impulsive, ambitious, as I *rain!* I care for nought else. This man—this Charles Hunter—is necessary to my happiness. *I covet his wealth.*"

"Young Lester is devoted to you, and he is worth gold, Julia."

"The principal of which he never touches," said Julia, with scorn.

"Yet he lives like a gentleman."

"Like an elaborated machine kept in excellent order, rather," continued the proud beauty.

"I'm sure you would have all the elegant necessaries of life, as his wife," urged the modest Mary.

"Necessaries!" cried Julia—"I have those now. I want more. I want gold enough to be profuse in my expenditures. I would have an abundance beyond the standard of mere necessity. Hunter is notoriously immensely rich, but he cares nothing for money. He gains it with the utmost ease, and he values it so little that the squandering of thousands would produce no impression on him. I would strive, Mary, above all my associates, over whose shillings it would be ecstacy for me to show dollars."

"As Mrs. Hunter, I readily admit you could do all this. Hunter is worth half a million, so men say."

"Ay! and at the rate he is amassing funds, will soon be a millionaire. Oh!" exclaimed the dame-like Julia, as her face glowed with eager desire, "what could I not do with a million from which to replenish my exchequer?"

Mary stole another glance of fire, without being perceived, at her companion, and then said:

"I perfectly comprehend, now, that you must win him, as you said, at any sacrifice."

"And you shall aid me."

"Of what possible use can I be in such an affair?" interrogated Mary with an innocent air.

"You can be of great use to me in it," answered Julia, with a majestic nod, expressive of condescension.

"I would rather not be connected with it in any way whatever," said Mary with timidity.

"Not for my sake! fie! He regards you as a child, and treats you with the utmost confidence because he thinks you are simple and unsuspicious. It shall be your task to worm his secrets from him—to catch the tone and tenor of his thoughts—to weigh his motives, estimate his tastes, lay bare, for my benefit, his desires, aspirations, and innermost sentiments. With this material, I think, my skill will enable me to fashion a triumph."

"One would imagine to hear you talk, that I was a Richelieu, instead of an unsophisticated, unambitious girl, whom nobody torments with flattery, or persecutes with attentions," remarked Mary, after reflecting an instant upon the above address.

"You are a woman, and I never yet knew a woman who could not outwit even a minister of state when she tried."

"Well," said Mary, "I suppose I am to consider myself compelled to undertake this mission."

"If you please."

"Remember, I meddle myself in this love, or more properly speaking money adventure, entirely at your suggestion."

"Of course I will remember it, and after we have succeeded—for I look upon success as a certainty—you shall be rewarded."

"Mercy on us, do you think I sell my friendship, Julia?"

"I think that, like myself, you would not look upon a few golden additions to the contents of your purse as being unwelcome or burthensome. There, not another word! And now that this compact is settled I feel better. I am almost sorry that I sought the precincts of Wall-street to see if I could lure him from his dingy den. *N'importe*, he will soon be here."

Her countenance became radiant and joyful at this thought, and we think, did Mary's; but the joy and radiance depicted on the face of the latter made but a momentary stay. Were they reflected from the face of Julia, or did they emanate from the heart of the meek and childlike Mary?

They separated, and each went to her private room. It was a private hotel they were in. What a world of intrigue is embosomed in a private hotel in New-York City.

Julia Bowen closed the door of her apartment, and then indulged in exultant gestures.

"Poor girl," she soliloquized, "how pliant and docile she is! How self-denying and how single-minded! She is just the ally I would have chosen from among a thousand. How fortunate that she came to live here, and how wise in me to cultivate her acquaintance."

Mary glided noiselessly into her chamber and sat down upon her bedside. There she remained in deep, but apparently placid thought for about five minutes, and then she arose, drew out from beneath her pillow a miniature rosewood writing-desk, and was soon buried in penning a note. It was a school-girl style of calligraphy she indulged in; round, clear, and terribly suggestive of the copy-book. Once, while writing, she bit her under lip, and knitted her brow as if attacked by some sharp pang; but apart from this, there was nothing to indicate that she was writing anything more important than an order for an assortment of, varnished with which to finish her embroidery, or a set of new cambric handkerchiefs to carry to church.

We will leave Mary writing, while we once more visit the private apartment of Julia Bowen.

CHAPTER II.

A NOVEL CONSPIRACY.

"Get thee behind me, Satan."—*Scriptures.*

We will proceed without ceremony to one of the upper rooms of the largest hotel on Broadway, a room furnished with exquisite taste in some respects, and most abominable vulgarity in others. Mixed with articles of *vertu* are stumps of cigars; hanging beside gems of pictures are coats and vests; and on the costly velvet tapestry which covers the floor have been placed three or four pairs of boots that have done their owner all the service he could reasonably require of them.

The regular occupant of this apartment is present. That is he, seated at that small table, in which there is a multiplicity of drawers, and the rich pearl and ivory inlaying work of which is almost wholly concealed by a pile of letters and notes of all shapes and sizes imaginable.

Do you think him handsome?

Now, if you are a woman, or expect to grow to be a woman, you will answer "yes." All the ladies think him extremely handsome, albeit the men—old fogy men and envy it may be—do not confess to a belief that he is "any great shakes" in the way of personal appearance; but look at him and don't fail to mark his elegant moustache and neat half whiskers. He is six feet tall, and is well formed—about as well formed as need be. His face is decidedly Hebraical. The "chosen people" sculptor, if they would, deny him a place among them. Those piercing black eyes, those massive jet ringlets which seem to be made of the finest, crispest and silkest of silk; that aquiline nose, cross between the equilinn and Roman; that Bohemian Gipsey-like complexion, all proclaim his faith and descent as unmistakeably as if, (as in the days of old he would have done, had he lived,) he wore the yellow cap and crossed sleeve despotically devised upon his race by certain Christian despots. He long ago abjured all religious belief, and we will, therefore, call him merely a man of the world. Lr. Dacker Lieon—that is the title by which the individual we are describing must be addressed—has "traveled." He is known and seen in both hemispheres; but let that pass for the present. He has a winning way with him, whether at cards or in the prosecution of a love suit. Once he devoted himself to faro altogether; but now he engages exclusively in the pastime of the fair. No, I am wrong. He makes them quiver him. But let me not travel out of the record. He has a companion to whom I wish to call attention; you have already heard of him. Behold Charles Hunter! A description of him is unnecessary. Let his deeds and conversation paint his portrait.

He sits with his feet elevated above his head—at no mention which smoke a cigar. The smoke curls and floats away lazily in wreaths above and around him. In his full beard, which he is carelessly twisting, is a real of bank notes. He is not about to make clear fortunes of these notes, although he has often performed such feats, and obtained such admiration for them among the shameless sporting world of New-York City.

At the moment we introduce him to the reader he was engaged in a very, very, [illegible] hold up the [illegible] money alluded to, so that the gas light fell directly upon it. Doctor Lieon's eyes took the same direction.

"Is it a counterfeit?" asked Hunter, carelessly.

"Have you any of the kind?" [illegible]

"Only one of the kind," replied Hunter, without [illegible] his countenance.

"It is genuine," remarked Lieon, with a sigh.

"I think it is," said Hunter, coolly.

"But you would offer your opinion if you would but receive it."

"Ha! ha! What should it matter me? Let the unhappy [illegible] think what he pleases, I am convinced, ever since from the day I first were introduced to you, and I learned to die without having interested in the horse speculation." Hunter spoke these words mechanically. They appeared to come only from his lips; the brain seemed to have had nothing to do with them.

"Pshaw!" exclaimed Lieon with a gesture of impatience, "one always gets some frivolous answer from you. If you don't reflect—and I swear I can hardly believe that you do—how in the name of Pluto can you make so much money? Can a man without thought, calculation, or caution realize a fortune in a week, as you do?"

For one single instant the face of the great and successful financier was covered by a fearful frown, and his fingers worked tremulously with the bank notes, and with the cigar he was smoking. Lieon did not notice the change, which was gone almost as soon as it came; and then Hunter spoke:

"That's a secret, my boy; as much of a secret as is the method by which you contrive to make such sad havoc among the feminines. Ah! that word brings me back to our subject. Will you take the thousand, or shall I throw it into the grate?"

"You are a marvel!" ejaculated Lieon, after gazing at him a few seconds with a peculiar expression. He shortly added, "I do believe that you would as soon cast that money into the fire as your used-up cigar, and yet nothing could induce you to lend it to me."

"Lend! It's a bad word. It ought to be blotted from the vocabulary," said Hunter, bringing his foot down upon the floor emphatically. "My dear fellow, steal or beg, but never borrow; give, squander, but never lend. But come, time's flying, and I want to be off. What say you—this is the last call as an auctioneer would say—what say you to my proposition?"

"Repeat it," said the handsome doctor, gloomily.

"You are to command the girl, Emma Peters, to submit herself and actions entirely to my control—"

"*Butterfly!*"

"*As entirely as she would to yours!*" continued Hunter calmly, "for one year from this date. At the expiration of the year she will be free to go where and with whom it may please her."

"But the proposition is so very absurd."

"I know it. This is one of my chief reasons for making it."

"And what explanation can I give her for urging an adventure so curious?"

"Any that your prolific fancy may hit upon—I'm not particular. Hatch one up at once, if you scoop, so that I may keep it up with her."

"I'll try."

"Then you will take the thousand with the conditions annexed?"

"I must, for my treasury is empty."

"There is the money, then," said Hunter, tossing the notes upon the table. They were eagerly pocketed by the Doctor. "And now," continued the former, "for the tale we are to tell."

The Doctor ran his digits caressingly through his ringlets, and peered wistfully at space. He crossed his legs and beat the floor a tattoo upon the edge of the table. He buried his face in his palms, while his elbows bored holes almost into his knees. He got up and paced the floor. He whistled. But from all this exertion sprang no scheme—no plausible story, so he resumed his seat. Hunter did not evince his patience as men usually evince it. He was impatient, though, for he said, with a brusque and determinate air,

"You may give me back these funds."

"No!" cried Lieon, starting to his feet again. "I have it now. You are my guardian, you wish to test this girl's affection for me. You require to see if she can withstand the allurements of fashion—can pass the ordeal of a year's unlicensed conviviality in this gay metropolis without suffering blot or blemish. You are whimsical; this is your whim. Do you comprehend?"

"Perfectly."

"Will it do?"

"If the girl is very verdant, yes; if at all up to the tricks of her sex or our own, no."

"She is verdant, and she places the utmost dependence upon what I tell her."

"I know that. Well, we'll try her with this flimsy and ridiculous plan."

"But now what do you really mean to do with her?" urged Lieon, a little irritatously.

"What do you think?"

"Ruin her?"

"This was a question, not an assertion.

"You are right."

"Then," cried Lieon hastily, "I'm cursed if——"

"There, there, don't splutter," interrupted Hunter, "she won't be ruined in the way you imagine, by me. But ruin will be her portion nevertheless. Pay particular attention to what I am saying. She is very young, and as strange a creature as ever I saw. Her beauty is almost supernatural. I have seen numerous prettier maidens, but not one other possessing her style of beauty. It is unique, striking! I want her to be my companion everywhere—in my rides, my excursions, my visits to the opera, the theatre, the ball-room, and the race-course. This will produce talk. They will talk about her, about me. We shall flourish gloriously wherever gossip finds a patron. My vanity, my love of notoriety, will be gratified to a surfeit. 'The rich broker and his latest prize,' will be the current remark wherever we appear. I shall have the credit of a triumph without its infamy upon my conscience. Arriving at the period of this young lady's coupons. The world will call her wanton, but for that piece of injustice the world will be responsible—not I. Do you comprehend?"

"Yes! y-e-s," stammered the bewildered Doctor.

"That's all. To-morrow night I will express you at my bachelor rooms in Fourteenth-street, with the victim of our novel conspiracy."

So saying, Hunter seized his hat and made his exit. He had gained the street before the handsome recipient of his money had recovered from a sudden fit of astonishment. Dr. Lieon was not a man to be nonplussed or astounded for any length of time. He had mastered his surprise just as a gentle knock assailed a panel of his door. At his request (after he had hurriedly concealed his letters) the applicant for admission walked in. It was Emma Peters. She resided in the hotel, it appeared, and it further appeared that Dr. Lieon had appointed an interview to take place between them immediately after the departure of his visitor.

She was of ordinary stature, but yet she looked larger than females of the ordinary size. She looked as juvenile as one of her age (fourteen years and a half) should look, and yet the maturity of womanhood also found expression in her contour. In physique and manner she was at once like a child, and a woman. Passion shone from her dark, wondering, hazel eyes, and was displayed upon her full luscious lip; but there was at the same time an indication in the placidity of the face that it might be carefully guarded by purity. She still wore her light brown hair in school-girl plaits, but its heavy volume seemed to belong to a head that had borne twice her number of years.

Carelessly and confidingly she took the seat indicated by him—his knee—and gently passed her arm around his neck. With a voice whose tones were strangely musical and persuasive, he told her the narrative decided upon by himself and Hunter. She listened with an air half of fright and half of resignation, and did not speak for full five minutes after he concluded. Then, placing her disengaged hand upon her breast, and grasping convulsively at her silk dress, so that the sound made was like that of an infant's fingers scratching upon paper, she said:

"If this must be so I will submit; but if you knew what torture I will endure in the performance of this dreadful task, you would not exact my obedience."

Doctor Lieon was a noble pleader in the court of Cupid. Words of love and syren-like persuasion glided from his lips as if coated with oil and honey, and ejected with steam power. "Only a year!" How eloquently he rung the changes upon that sentence! "It would soon pass away!" Yes, every year passes away soon enough. "And when it was passed would they not be each other's forever?" That settled the matter. She consented!

Tenderly he pressed his lips, as if inspired by gratitude as well as affection to her delicate forehead. With a sigh of happiness her head settled upon his shoulder. And there they sat. What was busy in his heart then? We know what caused hers to throb so joyously.

And yet he was forty and she fourteen! What a world this is!

CHAPTER III.

A STORM BREWS.

"What to do?
"A deed without a name."—*Macbeth.*

When we left Mary Schuyler, she was on her way to the Post Office. She reached that great, shabby institution without delay, and deposited the note or letter she saw her write. But that did not seem to be the whole of her business. She did not go away, but amused herself by reading the lists of advertised letters, beautifully pasted upon dirty boards that would scarcely be tolerated in an aristocratical pigsty. Having exhausted this fund of time killing sport, she returned to the outside of the covered passage, and scanned the passers-by on the street. She was not only an observer, but was the observed as well.

A small-sized but well-built man, with a clear, piercing eye, and a handsome face (save one blemish, slightly marred by a goitoid,) had watched her movements curiously from the time she dropped her letter into the aperture appointed to receive it; indeed, he had not permitted himself to lose sight of her for an instant. Had he been a cat intent upon capturing a mouse, he could not have kept up a steadier or more accurate *surveillance*. It was easy to perceive that he was not a "man about town," in the common acceptation of that phrase. His movements generally, and his observant gestures in especial, gave no idea of the leisure libertine, or the *blasé* sportsman. There was no love in his looks.

Mary was so busy with her reflections that she did not discover the careful attention with which this man favored her. About an hour after her first appearance at the Post-Office a well-dressed lad turned into Nassau from Liberty-street.

There was nothing in his appearance to cause one to look at him a second time, unless one happened to be a student of character on the plan of Lavater. Such a student would have at once regarded his face earnestly. He was dark, thin, and pretty looking. A young moustache, which had never been marred by the razor, gave an expression of manliness to the lower part of the face, but the smooth forehead and the curls that clustered around it indicated the boy. He was about twenty years of age—but care, the student would have seen, was gnawing at his heart.

Thoughtless age! when the mind is like putty, ready to receive any impression, and likely to retain it unless a stronger one be made to its destruction! beautiful age! when the ear believes all that it hears, and the eye confides finally in the apparent truth of all that it sees. Age of reason and fully comprehend, age of verdancy and self-sufficiency, age of brass and cast solder! how many hast thou wrecked beyond redemption.

John Legouve, the youth we have introduced, saw Mary the moment he turned towards the Post-Office, and his dark, thin face was immediately wreathed in smiles. Ah! dimpling and smiling are still never a young man's visible, audible opinion than laughing gas!

He was the individual for whom Mary had been watching. How she blushed and trembled, and pursed her mouth demurely as he grasped both her hands, and volubly assured her that he would not get away from the morning house until he had seen her. And Mary modestly confessed that it did not make the slightest difference, "he had rather amused her to wait," and all that sort of thing.

"I would have come to the house," said he, as he motioned her to take his arm, which she did, while they moved at a slow pace towards Broadway; "but" he continued, "I have no wish to be placed in a false position with your uncle, you in one. We are both too young to be misjudged."

Now that was spoken like a man of good judgment and extensive experience. John Legouve was not a man in years, but education, association of an amazing character, had made him a man in thought. He was a great reader, a habit of thinking, and those who think earnestly and often become good in conversation very soon.

To his remark about misjudgment Mary made no reply save by a little sigh, which, followed so hard upon her lips that one could have naturally supposed I was about to proceed to make lurid known at all. The youth pressed a little and then resumed:

"I will have known each other so long, Mary, that I cannot but regard you as a sister. You are not my sister, and yet I will not comprehend why I have a brother's affection upon you. It seems to me that this world is a very mean sort of place."

Mary sighed again. The youth stole a sidelong glance at her and went on speaking.

"I have no doubt I appear to anybody's eyes as your lover, Mary, and therefore I will not visit you at your residence. I should cut but a sorry figure as a suitor for a young lady's hand myself, I suppose."

Mary did not see why, at least she said so.

"Well, it makes no difference. You are now as you have been since we played together over the fields in our native village, as one of my own flesh and blood, and you have met with misfortune. It is my duty to help you out of your troubles, and, trust me, I will do so. Was my last letter satisfactory?"

"How can you ask such a question?" said Mary, with a reproachful accent.

"What do you mean?"

"How could a letter from you be otherwise than satisfactory to me?"

"Oh! Yes, but I meant to ask if the—five—inclusive was all right—was sufficient."

"I tried to make it answer."

"Ah! I see. It was not enough. Well, I anticipated that, and have met you prepared to supply the deficiency."

"Oh! thanks! thanks!" exclaimed Mary with great animation.

"Turn into Rector-street, towards the North River, and I will give it to you."

Mary's countenance suddenly underwent a change. It was a reflex of the most poignant sorrow.

"I durst not take it!" she said.

"Afraid! for what reason?"

He made this inquiry with a look of mortal fear.

"You will involve yourself in difficulty!"

"No, no, no," he said hurriedly, "never fear me. I am prudent—careful. Come, don't stand here, but turn the corner."

She obeyed him.

"You must bear in mind," she said, after they had got out of Broadway, "that I have already been assisted by you to amounts beyond your income."

"But I had saved money for two years before you required any assistance, Mary. Don't forget that."

Money! It was the main object with them all. Well, who does not talk of it, and strive to get it?

Mary had not forgotten that, she said.

"Very well, then," observed Legouve, as he glanced furtively around him, and placed a small parcel in her not unwilling hand, "take this. It will pay off that crushing debt, in full, of which you spoke at our last interview."

"Must I take it?"

Oh, how artlessly she asked that question! No wonder his large grey eyes, which at times looked as tenderly and as imploringly as those of a wounded deer at bay, filled with tears of honest affection as he answered:

"You *must* if you wish to preserve my friendship, and I only regret that it is so paltry a gift. Would that it were fifty times greater."

The transaction we have mentioned was observed by the man who had noticed Mary so vigilantly at the Post-Office. He had followed them.

"God bless you, my dear brother," said Mary, putting away his gift into her *porte monnaie*, "the day will come, I hope, when I will be able to reciprocate your kindness. I hold I never get my property, now in dispute, or procure a rich husband, I will set out in business."

Legouve grinned a ghastly smile. The word "husband" evidently did not sound very harmoniously to his brotherly ears. How is it that platonic love in extremely young people rarely brooks the interference of a thought about matrimony?

"Don't talk of business," he remarked after gulping down his chagrin by a violent effort; "you know I hate business; my ambition is to be an artist. One of these days I shall go to Italy and study. You know I paint very well already."

He drew from his breast-pocket a miniature in proof of his assertion. It was a fine likeness of Mary Schuyler. The mechanical part of the work was crude and unskilful, but the spirit of the face—the life, the expression—was there to perfection.

"Well, well, I did not mean to hurt your feelings," said Mary, gazing at the miniature with a strange and undefinable air, "but pray when did you paint that?"

"Since I last saw you."

"For me?"

"No."

The negative was delivered with so much abruptness that Mary was completely disconcerted. She paused irresolutely a short time, and then said she must go. But there she remained. Legouve inquired, moodily, if he should cut her into an omnibus, to which she answered in the affirmative.

They started for Broadway again. Just before they arrived at the corner, Mary suddenly asked Legouve if he knew Charles Hunter, the financier.

"Yes," replied Legouve.

"Intimately?"

"Yes, again."

"Are you at all in his confidence?"

"Why do you ask these curious questions?" inquired Legouve, turning pale as ashes, and shaking like an aspen. Every joint quivered.

"Bless me, what's the matter?"

"A sudden spasm—I have been subject to these strange attacks lately. But what do you know of Hunter?"

"He visits our house."

"To see you?"

"No, by no means. To see Miss Bowen, whom you saw with me once."

Legouve breathed freely again.

"Are you Hunter's friend," queried Mary, without giving him time to speak.

"I am—He has taken a fancy to me, and I am indebted to him for many courtesies and favors."

"Then you must bring about an interview between him and I," said Mary. She spoke modestly and quietly, yet there was something irresistibly commanding in her tone and manner.

"To what end?"

"He is in danger."

"Indeed! Pray tell me at once what or who is arousing him."

"That I wish to make known to himself in private."

"Mary!"

"Oh, you shall be present, but not another soul must dream of my having anything to do with the affair."

"What a mystery this is! Mary, you used to abominate mysteries."

"But don't I tell you that there shall be no mystery so far as you are concerned. Come, I see one of our lines of omnibuses approaching. Will you get him to see me?"

"Yes; but I must be present. Don't lose that from your mind."

"It is agreed. Ah, the omnibus has stopped. See him as soon as you can make it convenient, and write me at the Broadway Post-Office."

"Not direct to your home?"

"Certainly not—for reasons. Good bye."

As she got into the vehicle, a man who had been talking with Mary's Post Office incognito took a seat by her side.

Legouve watched the omnibus until he could no longer see it, and then slowly sauntered up Broadway. He was about turning into Liberty-street when the individual who had followed Mary tapped him on the shoulder.

"Well, Sir!" said Legouve, with great hauteur.

"Step into this confectioner's shop, I wish to speak with you," replied the man persuasively.

"Sir!"

"Come, you need not be offended, and I will not detain you five minutes."

"But I do not know you."

"You will soon be relieved of that ignorance. Come."

The stranger led the way, and Legouve, mesmerized as it were, mechanically followed. The stranger led him to a dark corner in the back of the shop, where brandy and pies were sold to clerks and merchants in need of "refreshment," and asked him to "take a drink."

"I never taste ardent spirits," said Legouve gently.

"Smoke?"

"Yes."

They procured cigars, and after they had puffed them an instant the stranger said:

"Your name is John Legouve."

"It is, I'm not ashamed of it."

"You ought to be."

"How! This insult——"

"Shall be explained or atoned!" said the stranger calmly. He proceeded, "You are the mail clerk of Baldwin & Co."

"Yes, Sir," answered Legouve fiercely.

"Your salary is $600 a year."

"What of it!"

"Not much—only you contrive to spend $1,500 per annum."

"What's that your business? Sir, this impertinence is altogether inexcusable. If I had the strength——"

"You would fling me," again interrupted the stranger; "but as you have not, you must hear me out. You have plundered letters intrusted to your care—here is a list of them."

The youth turned the color of beeswax, and would have fallen to the floor had not the stranger held him by the arm.

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SCHOOL CIRCULARS AND EVERY INFORMATION can be obtained at the United States and B. N. American School Agency, No. 138 Nassau-st., room No. 3, next to the Nassau Bank. Schools and families supplied with competent teachers. Teachers wishing engagements are invited to apply to
HATTON & WELLS.

SCOTCH INTELLIGENCE OFFICE, NO. 37 Cedar-st., corner Broadway. Experienced servants with good references can be obtained here for city or country, viz: cooks, chambermaids, nurses, housekeepers, girls for general work, young girls, &c. Also, farm servants, gardeners, coachmen, porters, waiters, &c.

LECTURES.

LECTURE AT PACKER INSTITUTE, Brooklyn, THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 15, by Bishop Hopkins of Vermont. Subject—*The True Relation of Association to the Welfare of Mankind.* Tickets of admission 25 cents each. This lecture was to have been delivered last week, but is necessarily postponed to this.

WILLIAMSBURG.—J. G. E. BROWN, ESQ., of Newburg, will lecture in the New-England Church, South 9th-st., THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, at 7½ o'clock. Subject—*The Gentleman.*

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE.—MECHANICS' ALCOVE.—A regular meeting will be held at the Repository, No. 351 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14, at 7½ o'clock P. M. Subject: *Steam Boilers.* Strangers are always particularly welcome. Admission free to all.
H. MEIGS, Secretary.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.—A SPECIAL meeting of the Chamber will be held at the Merchants' Bank WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14, at 1 P. M. By order of
Jan. 13, 1857. EDWARD C. EGGERT, Sec.

DRUGGISTS' CIRCULAR—ADVERTISEMENTS for the next issue (Jan. 15) must be sent to the office, No. 183 Grand-st., until next Saturday, at latest. Will be distributed in 15,000 copies to druggists, physicians, &c., throughout the country.

DRY GOODS.

EMBROIDERIES, LACE, HOSE, &c.
BELOW COST.
We will sell our entire stock of Embroideries, and the Indian gauzes, to the last, this week, closing out the balance of our Embroideries, Hose, Laces, &c., considerably below cost.
Point Lace Sets, from $5 to $20, worth from $10 to $40.
Hosiery and Gloves, from 25 to 50c.
French Gaiter Hose, from 25 to 37c, worth 50 to 75.
French Jaconet and Swiss Collars, from 25 to 50c.
Embroidered Jaconet and Swiss Collars, from 25c. 50c. to $10.
French and Chantilly Veils, from $1 to $3.
BEEKMAN & CO., No. 478 Broadway.

ALL OUR LINEN GOODS ARE NOW OFFERING FULLY 25 PER CENT. BELOW COST.
12-4 all-linen sheeting, 2s. 6d., worth 10s.
8-4 double satin damask, 3s. 9d., worth 9s.
⅝ and ¾ satin damask napkins, 10s., worth $1.
10-4 table-cloths, all pure linen, 10s., worth 16s.
Marseilles quilts, 11s., 12s., 14s. and $2.
Transactions hospitable.
Remember the business closes on the 20th day of this month, at the great sale,
No. 766 Broadway,
Near Fourth-st.

WET GOODS! WET GOODS!!
WET SILKS. WET SILKS.
WET DAMASKS, WET NAPKINS.
WET LINEN DAMASK CLOTH.
WET TOWELINGS AND DOYLIES.
WET LINEN SHEETING.
WET QUILTS AND TOILET COVERS.
WET BLANKETS, WET SHIRTINGS.
WET HDKFS. AND EMB. COLLARS.
All of the above goods are warranted perfect, wet only, and will be sold at great bargains.
ANDREW G. COLBY,
No. 369 Grand, corner Eldridge-st.

MOURNING GOODS.
DE LAINES, BOMBAZINES,
ALPACAS, PARAMATAS,
MUSLIN, CHALLIES,
&c., &c., &c., &c.
At the Great Sale,
No. 766 Broadway,
Near 4th-st.

DAMAGED LINEN CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS.
We are just in receipt of a large lot of LADIES' LINEN CAMBRIC HANDKERCHIEFS, Slightly damaged, at 12½ cents each.
Also,
A large lot of Gents' do., colored borders, at 25 cents, worth 37½ cents each.
BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 478 Broadway.

WHITE GOODS CHEAP.
Muslins Swisses, Nansook,
Malls, Checks,
Tarlatans, Stripes,
&c., &c., &c., &c.,
Will be offered this week at exceeding low prices to close stock, at the Great Sale,
766 Broadway,
Near Fourth-st.

MOURNING GOODS.
DE LAINES, BOMBAZINES,
ALPACAS, PARAMATTAS,
MUSLIN, CHALLIES.
&c., &c., &c., &c.
At the Great Sale
No. 766 Broadway,
Near 4th-st

GREAT REDUCTION IN CLOAKS.
At BEEKMAN & COMPANY'S, No. 478 Broadway.
Beaver Cloaks at $5, worth $10.
Beaver Cloaks at $10, worth $20.
And higher priced ones
In same proportion.

BARGAINS IN LINEN GOODS.
500 pieces of Hays' heavy linens
Will be offered this week,
At 2s. 3d. per yard by the piece,
Worth 4s.,
At the great sale,
No. 766 Broadway,
Near 4th-st.

LYONS VELVET—LYONS VELVET.
An assortment of all widths,
And of the best manufacture,
Selling cheap at BEEKMAN & COMPANY'S,
No. 478 Broadway.

CHEAP LINEN GOODS.
500 pieces of Marland's and Richardson's fine linens will be offered this week, at 2s., 2s. 6d., 3s. and 3s. 6d.,
By the piece of 12 yards,
At the great sale,
766 Broadway,
Near Fourth-st.

EVENING SILKS,
AND EVENING SILK ROBES,
At reduced prices, by
BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 478 Broadway.

COTTON SHEETINGS AND PILLOW-CASE MUSLINS AND LINENS
Will be offered this week at an enormous sacrifice, in order to close stock,
At the great sale,
No. 766 Broadway,
Near Fourth-st.

$50,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS
TO BE SOLD OFF WITHOUT RESERVE.
Commencing on Monday, 5th inst.
ISAAC HADDOCK, NO. 265 GRAND-ST.,
(*Between Chrystie and Forsyth sts.,*)
WILL SELL OFF his general stock of DOMESTIC AND FANCY DRY GOODS, At prices much below their present value. Consisting of blankets, quilts, damasks, Irish linens, towelling, bleached and brown muslins, flannels, cassimeres, thibets, merinoes, paramattas, black silks, marcellas, de laines, prints, tickings, &c. Also, hosiery, gloves, ribbons, embroideries, trimmings, and small wares of all kinds.
As this stock will be sold without reserve, I. H. hopes his customers will call early and reap the benefit of good goods

FINANCIAL.

TAYLOR BROTHERS, Auctioneers,
No. 17 Wall-st., New-York.

COLLECTIONS IN GALVESTON, TEXAS.—NOTES AND DRAFTS, payable at the above city, promptly and careful attention given to the collection of [illegible] KIMBALL & TAYLOR, Bankers, No. 52 Wall-st.
Reference: Bank of America, Metropolitan Bank, Leather Manufacturers' Bank, and Leather Bank.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE MERCANTILE AND TRAVELING
LETTERS OF CREDIT,
Available in any part of the world.

LOAN—FOR $1,000,000—FOR THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE ERIE CANAL.—Office of the Comptroller of the State of New-York, Albany, Dec. 29, 1856.
Notice is hereby given that the Canal Fund, by virtue of an act entitled "An act to authorize a loan for the Canal Fund," passed April 15, 1856, and chapter 1, Laws of 1857, will be received to the Canal Department until the 15th day of January next, at 11 o'clock noon of that day, for a loan of ONE MILLION DOLLARS, for which transferable certificates of stock will be issued in the name of the people of the State of New-York, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. payable quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October in each year, and the principal redeemable on the first day of October, 1862. It is to be understood that the Commissioners are to be at liberty to take a less sum, if the offers are not satisfactory to them, and to reject any bid or bids they may deem not for the interest of the State. The proposals may be for the whole or any part of said loan not less than $5,000. All proposals to be sealed up and addressed "Loan for the Enlargement," and indorsed in an envelope addressed to the Auditor of the Canal Department, at Albany.
The interest will be required to be paid, five per cent. on the amount of the loan, at the Comptroller's Office, on the 20th day of January next, at the New-York State Bank in Albany, or at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in New-York, but the money will be received and scrip issued at any time before it is sealed, after the award of the loan is made.
Payments to be made by depositing the same to the credit of the "Treasurer of the State, on account of the Canal Fund," in the Bank of the Manhattan Company, New-York, or the New-York State Bank, in the city of Albany. Interest on the Loan will commence on the 20th day of January next, and the holders of the stock residing in the First and Second Judicial Districts, and those residing out of the State will receive the interest on the stock held by them, quarterly, at the Bank of the Manhattan Company, in the City of New-York; and all other Stockholders at the New-York State Bank in the city of Albany. Dated Canal Department, Dec. 19, 1856.
HENRY J. RAYMOND, Lieut. Gov.
LORENZO BURROWS, Comptroller.
JOEL T. HEADLEY, Sec'y of State.
STEPHEN CLARK, Treasurer.
STEPHEN B. CUSHING, Att'y Gen'l.

NOTICE TO OWNERS OF PROPERTY ASSESSED FOR CENTRAL PARK.—The owners of property assessed for Central Park are hereby notified that said assessments can be paid at this office until February 26, 1857, inclusive with 7 per cent. interest from 5th of February, 1856, the date of the confirmation of the assessment by the Supreme Court. After that date the assessment list will be returned to the Bureau of Arrears, when interest will be charged at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum from the date of confirmation, Feb. 5, 1856. The property assessed is embraced in the following boundaries: on the East one half way between 2d and 3d ave.; on the West, one half way between 10th and 11th ave.; on the North, one half way between 110th and 112th sts.; along from eastern side of 6th-av. to western side of 8th-av., inclusive, to one half way between 119th and 120th sts.; on the South one half way between 41st and 42d sts. Also, on the east side of 8th-av. to western side of 8th-av., inclusive, to half way between 53d and 54th sts. JOSEPH R. TAYLOR,
Collector of Assessments, No. 2 basement of City Hall, Office of Collector of Assessments.
JANUARY 10, 1857.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD CO.,
No. 60 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 9, 1856.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE Stockholders of this Company that an installment of five dollars ($5) on each share of the capital stock of the Company, on which twenty-five dollars per share has been heretofore assessed, has been made payable on or before the 15th day of January next, at the office of the Company, No. 60 Wall-st., New-York.
The Transfer Books will be closed on the 5th of January, and opened on the 22d. By order of the Executive Committee.
J. N. PERKINS, Treasurer.
Interest at the rate of seven per cent. will be charged on all installments paid after the 15th January from that date.

OFFICE OF THE EIGHTH-AV. RAILROAD CO.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1856.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company, for the election of Directors and Inspectors of the ensuing election, will be held at the office of the Company, corner of 8th-av. and 42d-st., on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of January next. Poll will be open from 12 o'clock M. to 1 o'clock P. M.
D. PALMER, Secretary.

REDEMPTION NOTICE.—THE SEVEN PER CENT. Water Loan of the Corporation of the City of New-York, redeemable on the 1st day of February, 1857, will be paid at the Comptroller's Office, on the surrender of the Certificates duly receipted, on or before Feb. 2. Interest on said Loan will cease on the 1st day of February, 1857.
Department of Finance, Comptroller's Office, New-York, Jan. 2, 1857.
A. C. FLAGG, Comptroller.

OFFICE OF THE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD CO., No. 16 William-st., NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1857.
THE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD COMPANY wish to purchase twenty-five thousand dollars of either issue of their bonds, and invite offers of them to be addressed to the Trustees of Sinking Fund of Cleveland and Toledo Railroad Company, No. 16 William-st., to the 15th inst.
J. B. WARING, President.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS & CINCINNATI RAILROAD CO.,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 16, 1856.
NOTICE—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the above Company for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, on Wednesday, the 14th inst. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from Jan. 4 to the 14th inclusive.
E. C. MARSHALL, Secretary.

NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD SEVEN PER CENT. BONDS.—The undersigned offer for sale the 7 per cent. Coupon Bonds of this Company, dated 1859, having twenty years to run, interest payable semi-annually, on the first days of February and August, at the Company's Agency in this City.
DUNCAN, SHERMAN & CO.

AMERICAN EXCHANGE BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 13, 1857.
THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION RAILROAD CO. will close, at this office, on TUESDAY, Jan. 20, and reopen on the 24 of February.
WM. M. LARRABEE, Secretary.

CANANDAIGUA AND ELMIRA RAILROAD THIRD MORTGAGE BOND HOLDERS.—The holders of these bonds are requested to call at the office of A. S. FOSTER, No. 207 Pearl-st., New-York, and register their bonds, as the mortgage is being foreclosed.
AMASA S. FOSTER.

GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION RAILROAD.—The Second Mortgage Sinking Fund Bonds of this Company, due in 1863, interest at 6 per cent., payable half-yearly in New-York, are for sale by
STRACHAN & SCOTT, No. 51 William-st.

THE OHIO CANNEL COAL COMPANY.—An election for seven Trustees of the Ohio Cannel Coal Company will be held at their office, No. 318 Fulton-st., in the City of New-York, on MONDAY, Jan. 26, 1857, from 3 to 4 o'clock, P. M.
JOHN PHILLIPS, Secretary.

SWIFT, RANSOM & CO., BANKERS—NO. 21 Pine-st., draw on the Bank of London; issue drafts and credits on Chicago, and make collections in the principal towns and cities of the West and Northwest. Payments in Chicago ordered by telegraph.

A SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD BONDHOLDER.—Will consult their interest by communicating their address and the amount of their bonds myrally to the undersigned. JOHN HENRY ELLIOT, Trustee.
KEEVE N. H., Jan. 7, 1857.

BUSINESS PAPER NEGOTIATED.—ADVances made upon responsible paper, in part, and upon Bank, Railway, Fire and Life Insurance Stocks.
JOHN B. MURRAY, No. 44 Wall-st.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

TO MANUFACTURERS.—A PARTY WITH a cash capital of about $10,000, owning a steady water power of about 18-horse, with factory buildings and other improvements, and a thorough acquaintance with the hardware trade of the country, would like to engage with a practical manufacturer in good standing in some lucrative business, where his factory, capital and business knowledge could be used to advantage. The factory is accessible to New-York City at all seasons. None but responsible parties need inquire, as the best references will be given and required. Address Box No. 1,555 New-York Post-Office.

MARBLE QUARRY FOR SALE.—A VALuable marble bed in Westchester County, near that from which was taken the stone for the New-York Custom-House and Stewart's store. It is immediately contiguous to an excellent water-power and the track of the Harlem Railroad, and only 18 miles distant from the City. Any quantity of land may be had, together with three or four good dwellings, and a number of sheds, barns, &c., that may easily be converted into dwellings for workmen. The vein of marble is considered one of the best in the United States. Apply to A. J. BLEECKER & CO., No 7 Broad-st.

FOR SALE.—ONE-THIRD OF A LARGE AND flourishing newspaper in the West, in connection with a job office, with good run of business. For particulars, inquire of
S. M. PETTENGILL & CO., No. 119 Nassau-st.

COAL.

TREVORTON COAL.—A SUPERIOR ARTICLE.—This Coal is semi-anthracite, burns with a beautiful flame, free from smoke, produces no clinker, and much less ashes than other coal. It works on boilers as easy as a wood fire, and will endure as long as the hardest anthracite, and is particularly adapted for all family uses. Apply at the office of the Company, No. 112 Broadway, or at the Yard, No. 105 Washington-st., between Le Roy and Clarkson-sts.

EXAMINE CHAMBER FURNITURE—AT E. W. FARRINGTON'S Manufactory, 97 Nassau-st. Nos. 6 and 8 Hanover-st., between Grand and Broome.

FINANCIAL.

OFFICE OF THE
No. 52 WILLIAM-ST., New-York, Jan. 1, 1857.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Columbia Fire Insurance Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per cent. on the capital stock of the Company, payable on and after the 5th inst., on which day the transfer books will be closed until the date.
JOHN C. BERGH, Secretary.
The Columbia Fire Insurance Company continues to issue policies on Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Stores, Dwellings, &c., on liberal terms. Applications received at the Branch Office, No. 11 Merchants' Exchange, Wall-st.

Institution for the Savings of Merchant's Clerks and others,
No. 256 BROADWAY, Opposite St. Nicholas Hotel.
JAN. 6, 1857.
THE TRUSTEES HAVE THIS DAY, PURsuant to the By-Laws, declared an interest for the six months ending 31st December last, at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum, on all sums amounting to $5 and not over $300, payable on and after MONDAY, Jan. 12. Interest not called for will be credited to depositors as principal.
The Bank is open daily from 10 o'clock A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M., and on TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY EVENINGS, from 6 to 7 A. M.
Deposits made on or before 15th inst., will draw interest from the 1st instant.
MOSES H. GRINNELL, President.
ANDREW WARNER, Secretary.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS BANK, No. 3 Chambers-st.,
JAN. 1, 1857.
DIVIDEND.—THE DEPOSITORS ARE HEREby notified that a semi-annual dividend, at the rate of six per cent. per annum on all sums of $5 and up to $300, and five per cent. per annum on all sums over $300, which have been deposited at least three months previous to the 1st instant, will be allowed to depositors, payable on or after MONDAY, the 19th instant, during the hours of business at the Bank. All interest not called for will remain as principal and draw interest from the 1st instant. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 2 o'clock P. M., and on Thursdays from 5 to 7 o'clock P. M.
PETER H. TITUS, President.
C. A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

GREEN BAY, MILWAUKEE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD COMPANY.—Office No. 54 Wall-st., New-York, Jan. 5, 1857.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of four per cent. on the capital stock of this road was declared by the Board of Directors on the 8th day of January inst., payable on the 15th day of January, inst. Stockholders having their stock registered in New-York will be paid at the office of the Company, No. 52 Wall-st., New-York. Stockholders having their stock registered at Milwaukee will be paid at the office of the Company in the city of Milwaukee. The transfer books will be closed from the 10th to the 15th of January, both days inclusive.
C. E. SCOFIELD, Treasurer.

OFFICE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 60 WALL-ST.—New-York, Jan. 6, 1857.—DIVIDEND NOTICE.—The Board of Directors of this Company have this day declared a dividend of six (6) per cent., on the capital stock of the Company, out of the earnings of the road for 6 months, ending Dec. 31, payable on and after the 21st inst. to the stockholders who were such at the closing of the books on the 31st of December last.
AUGUSTUS HOFFMAN, Treasurer.

METROPOLITAN BANK.—DIVIDEND.—A Dividend of Four per cent. (4 per cent.) has been declared out of the profits of the last six months, payable on the first Monday (5th) of January next, at the Banking House, No. 128 Broadway. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 23d inst. until that date. By order of the Board.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1856. H. MEIGS, Jr., Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE PEOPLE'S FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 26, 1856.
A DIVIDEND OF SIX (6) PER CENT. HAS BEEN declared, payable at the office of the Company, corner of Canal and Thompson sts., on and after 2d January next, until which time the transfer books are closed. By order of the Board. W. F. UNDERHILL, Sec'y.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK IN THE
CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1856.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF this Bank have declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. on the capital stock, payable on and after the 10th day of January next. By order.
E. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

EXCELSIOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. OFFICE NO. 6 BROAD-ST.—NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1857.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 10 per cent., payable on and after the 15th inst. The transfer books will be closed until that date. HENRY QUACKENBOSS, Secretary.

OHIO LIFE INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY,
CINCINNATI, July 5, 1857.
A DIVIDEND OF FOUR AND ONE-HALF per cent. on the Capital Stock of this Company, was this day declared by the Trustees, payable to the Stockholders in the City of New-York on the 20th inst.
G. W. RICE, Secretary.

PHENIX BANK.—NEW-YORK, DEC. 31, 1856.—DIVIDEND.—The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of four (4) per cent., payable to the stockholders and to their order FRIDAY, Jan. 2, 1857. By order of the Board.
F. M. BRYSON, Cashier.

NEW-YORK EQUITABLE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1857.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of fifteen per cent., payable to the Stockholders on and after Monday the 19th inst. JOHN MILLER, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.—CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1857. The Board of Directors of this Company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of seven per cent., payable on and after the 5th inst. The transfer book will be closed until that date. JAMES. B. AMES, Jr., Secretary.

GROCERS' BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 27, 1856.
A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. ON the capital stock of this Bank will be paid to the stockholders on and after the 5th of January next. By order of the Board. SAML. B. WHITE, Cashier.

INSURANCE.

OFFICE OF THE
HARMONY FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
NO. 6 BROAD STREET,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1857.
The following gentlemen were duly elected Directors of this Company, at the annual election, held at the office, on Monday, 5th instant, viz.:

W. Callender,	Fred't DePeyster,	T. James Glover,
Eugene Dutilh,	Jas. Donaldson,	E. H. Howell,
P. A. Hargous,	John Brouwer,	S. P. Bell,
M. X. Harmony,	Arthur Leary,	L. Wells,
Peter Morris,	G. W. Carter,	J. M. Motley,
	Henry Morgan,	John Garcia.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held this day, Wm. Callender was unanimously reelected for the ensuing year. R. O. GLOVER, Secretary.

SECURITY FIRE INSURANCE CO.—NO. 21 Pine-st. (Great Western Buildings.) CASH CAPITAL $150,000 ALL PAID IN.—The Company having all its capital paid in, and securely invested, is now ready to receive applications and to issue Policies of Insurance on Merchandise, Buildings, Ships in Port, and other Property, on favorable terms.
JOSEPH WALKER, President.
THOS. W. BIRDSALL, Secretary.

DIRECTORS:

JOSEPH WALKER,	WILLIAM F. MOTT,
JOHN BALLEY,	EDWARD WOOD,
ROBT. COLES,	WM. DENNISTOUN,
GEORGE HUSSEY,	EDMUND W. CORLIES,
EDWARD WILLETS,	CHAS. E. PARKER,
JOHN D. WARREN,	CHARLES ELY,
WM. M. ABBATT,	WM. BIRDSALL, Jr.,
EDWARD MERRITT,	SMITH LAWRENCE,
HENRY BARROW,	JOSEPH LAWRENCE,
EDWARD LAMBERT,	HENRY HOULDEN,
JAMES G. GARNER,	SAMUEL G. PARSON,
RICHARD P. BRUFF,	D. CROMWELL,
S. T. VALENTINE,	E. J. DONNELL,
JOHN E. WILLIS,	GEORGE H. BEYER,
ROBT. J. MURRAY,	DAVID S. REELEE,
WM. ALLEN BUTLER,	EDW'D CROMWELL,
J. N. WYMAN,	MATTHEW MITCHELL,
JOHN ARMEN,	GEO. B. GORNELL.

NEW-WORLD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, of the City of New-York, office, No. 28 Pine-st., (Great Western Buildings).
Cash Capital..... $200,000.
ALL PAID IN.
This company insures property of all kinds against loss or damage by fire, on as favorable terms as similar institutions in the city.

DIRECTORS:

Thos. A. Emmet,	Jno. M. Furman,	Benj. C. Townsend,
David Milledge,	P. A. Hegeman,	Robert Le Roy,
Geo. M. Groves,	J. Thompson,	Elisha E. Morgan,
Gardiel Steed,	[illegible]	F. Coudurey,
Jas. M. Wilcox,	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ira Smith,	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
A. J. Clapland,	[illegible]	[illegible]
R. Whitehouse,	[illegible]	[illegible]
Anthony Lamy,	Charles Tomlin,	David [illegible]

Robert A. Fox.

CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—CASH CAPITAL $200,000, with a large surplus. Office No. 52 Wall-st., opposite the Merchants' Exchange.
HUGH LAING, President.

DIRECTORS:

Hugh Laing,	Silas Brown,	G. A. Youngman,
O. W. Lawrence,	E. R. Ewen,	Don A. Cameron,
E. Townsend,	John Watson,	U. J. [illegible]
C. R. Swords,	Jos. W. Corlies,	Alfred [illegible]
Ellis Wright,	Samuel Willets,	S. L. [illegible]
Stuart G. Marsh,	Wm. E. Strong,	Robert M. Burns,
John Penfold,	S. T. Nicoll,	J. S. Boyd,
John Compton,	Geo. Griswold, Jr.,	A. Y. Delvalle,
D. Henry Haight,	Noah S. Hunt,	Henry S. Leverich,
Jos. Lawrence,	Thomas Small,	L. Turnure.
L. S. Suarez,	J. H. Ranson,	

JAMES B. AMES, Jr. Secretary.

LOST AND FOUND.

CAUTION.—THE FOLLOWING NOTES HAVing been lost by the advertiser, the public are cautioned against negotiating, payment having been stopped: Two notes, drawn by J. Danforth, payable to order of Seymour Iness & Co., each for $600, dated Jan. 15, at two and three months respectively.

SPECIAL NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I have been appointed the general Assignee of the firm of WOOD & OSBORN, Flour and Feed Dealers, of No. 204 Chambers-st., in this City. All persons indebted to said firm are hereby required to pay to me immediately the amounts they severally owe, and all persons having claims against said concern are hereby notified to present the same at my office, No. 156 Canal-st., corner Bowery.
AARON HARDMAN.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1857.

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[illegible] Fire in Grand-street.

The fire that broke out in the pen and pencil manufactory of HORTON & HAVRON, in the fourth story of the iron building at the corner of Duane and Centre streets, about 5 o'clock Monday morning, did not do more than $200 worth of damage, and the loss is fully covered by insurance.

The Police Commissioners.

The Police Commissioners are making up for lost time by vigorous industry. Nearly every one of the vacancies that have existed in the Department for so long a time have been filled within the past few days.

Yesterday the Commissioners met at the Mayor's office. There was an unusually large attendance, as some charges of interest were expected to be taken up. But only a few cases of minor interest were examined into, and the decision in each case was reserved. The following adjourning some twelve or fifteen appointees were sworn in.

Sad Accident on Blackwell's Island.

Notice was left at the Coroner's office yesterday that a man named DAVID WILLIAMS, a bricklayer employed in building the hospital on Blackwell's Island, was accidentally killed at that place on Monday. Deceased was engaged in a basket from a high scaffolding to be lowered, when the rope broke. The fall was so great, and the injuries received so serious that he was instantly killed. Coroner GAMBLE proceeded to view the body.

COURT CALENDAR—WEDNESDAY, Jan. 14.

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COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Before Judge Ingraham.

William McGrath vs. *William Masterson*.—Judgment for plaintiff, and an order directing a writ of inquiry to issue to the Sheriff to assess damages.

Thomas Fitzpatrick vs. *the same*.—Like order.

John H. Hagerman, &c., vs. *Max Westheim*.—Motion granted, on payment of $10 costs of motion, $15 costs of trial, Judgment to stand as security.

George Brooks vs. *Matthew Walker, &c.*—Order of reference to James Maurice, Esq.]

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS—TUESDAY.

Before the City Judge.

The case of Deming, charged with arson, commenced on Monday, as reported, was continued yesterday. The insurance of the premises by the prisoner in the Howard Insurance Company was proved, and other more or other comparatively unimportant evidence was taken. Mr. Brady opened for the defence. Two witnesses were examined on behalf of the prisoner, who testified as to character. The evidence both for the prosecution and defence, was concluded yesterday, and this morning Mr. Brady will commence to sum up. There are no features of special interest in the case.

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WINTER REDUCTION.

In conformity with the plan we have formed, we now proceed to sell our large stock of stylish

WINTER CLOTHING,

At closing-out prices.

Our stock is still large and complete in most of the desirable styles of Winter wear, including all of our popular kinds of Beaver, Cloth and Esquimaux Raglans, black and colored Dress and Frock Coats, heavy and superior business Coats, all descriptions of heavy French, English and American Cassimere Pants, Velvet, Plush, Cassimere and Cashmere Vests, all kinds of Boys' Clothing, and a complete assortment of Furnishing Goods, Under-Wear, Robes de Chambre, Shirts, Kid Gloves, &c., &c.

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DID YOU EVER HAVE THE RHEUMATISM?—Did you ever lay for weeks on your back, unable to move a limb, your flesh fairly quivering with agony, a simple breath upon it filling your frame with anguish? Then you had inflammatory rheumatism. You could not have had anything else more painful. No rest at night—no rest by day—no sleep—no peace—no comfort—dismal groans for music—tears and prayers your only consolation. Ah, what you would have given for a sure—a positive, real cure, one that gave you ease at once—one that tingled to your bones, and made them feel within themselves the conviction of a remedy? Yet, just such a cure for rheumatism, as it is for consumption and the palsy, is Dr. HENRY ANSELL'S Liquid Iodine, or Pure Iodine Water. Sold at $1 a bottle, by ARNOLD & FOSDICK, No. 5 Second-avenue and No. 592 Broadway; C. M. RING, No. 192 Broadway, and A. HULSE, No. 69 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

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LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn Common Council.

THE INJUNCTION SERVED.

A special meeting of this Board was called for 6 o'clock last evening. At that hour, the President, HENRY R. PIERSON, Esq., took the Chair, and Clerk directed to call the roll, when 17 members answered to their names. There not being a quorum present, a motion to adjourn to 7 o'clock was carried, and at that hour there still being no quorum present, the members adjourned to 7½ o'clock, at which time there being a quorum the Board proceeded to business. After presenting an accumulation of papers which had collected on the President's desk, a motion was adopted to proceed to

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS,

When the following officers were appointed:

Health Officer—Warren Cleaveland, M. D., Fusion.

Messenger—Moses Abbott. (No opposition.)

Keeper City Park—Wm. Brown, Fusion.

Sealers of Weights and Measures, W. D.—Carman Wilson, Thomas Cornwell, Fusion.

Sealers of Weights and Measures, E. D.—John H. Gane, Thomas Willetts, Fusion.

Meat Inspectors, W. D.—James Titus, Mathew Stewart, Fusion.

Meat Inspectors, E. D.—Robert Reynold, Wm. B. Davison, Fusion.

Clerk of Market—Leonard W. Cline, Fusion.

Inspectors of Pavement, W. D.—Hicks Post, Henry Story, Fusion.

As the Board entered upon executive business, Alderman OLIVER, of the Ninth Ward, stated that he had just had an injunction served upon him, restraining him from acting as an Alderman.

The Chair announced that a similar document had been served upon the Board.

The Messenger was directed not to receive ballots from Alderman OLIVER, and he did not vote for officers.

Brooklyn Police Appointments.

The following changes were made in the Police Department:

APPOINTED.	REMOVED.
2d Ward—Matthew Mallory.	James Abrams.
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2d Ward—John McCann.	Chas. H. Wright.
2d Ward—John Shearon.	James Griffiths.
3d Ward—Thos. Farrell.	Isaac Kent.
3d Ward—Samuel Kelly.	Wm. Connor.
7th Ward—James McGuire.	Peter Vanderhoef.
7th Ward—Thom. Cunningham.	Henry Merrill.
7th Ward—Patrick Corr.	Isaac D. Reynolds.
7th Ward—James Gardner	John Campbell.
7th Ward—Wm. McLaughlin	Gilbert Duremus.

Republican General Committee of Kings County.

At a meeting of this Committee, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—JOHN G. BERGEN. *Vice-Presidents*—Messrs. Enoch Jacobs, S. C. Buckley, G. W. Stilwell. *Secretary*—S. Alpheus Smith. *Treasurer*—R. W. Kenyon.

Tea Party.

The ladies of the M. E. Mission Church of Williamsburg give a tea party, to-night, for the purpose of liquidating the church debt. They promise speaking, music and refreshments, and a good time generally.

Fire.

The stables and out-buildings attached to the hotel familiarly known as JOHN L. SNEDIKER'S, near the race course on the Jamaica Plank-road, was destroyed by fire Monday noon last. Loss $2,500. Fully insured.

BERNARD GILLEN, an insane man, was picked up by the Second District Police, Brooklyn, yesterday, and sent to the County Lunatic Asylum.

A prize fight was prevented by the Police in the Eighth Ward of Brooklyn, yesterday. The principals were from New-York.

The Long Island Railroad is still blocked up with snow below Riverhead.

Kings County Court of Sessions.

Before Judge Morris and Justices Schoonmaker and Emmons.

William Murry and Charles Cunningham were placed upon trial on an indictment for burglary, for breaking into the house of James Arrowsmith, in Meserole-street, E. D. of Brooklyn, on the 27th of October last. Convicted and sentenced to three years and six months each imprisonment in the State Prison at Sing Sing.

SUPREME COURT.

A General Term of this Court commenced in Brooklyn yesterday. Present, Judges STRONG and BRADLEY. Judge EMOTT was absent, but, notwithstanding this, the business was proceeded with.

There are some 200 causes on the calendar, 25 of which will be called each day.

MARRIED.

CRAWFORD—SHAW.—In this City, on Thursday, Jan. 8, at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Jane-st., by Rev. John Brash, Mr. JOHN CRAWFORD to Miss CHRISTINA SHAW, youngest daughter of Mr. Andrew Shaw, Jane-st.

AYMAR—HUGHES.—In this City, on Saturday, Jan. 10, at his residence, No. 60 12th-st., by Rev. John Brash, Mr. WILLIAM H. AYMAR to Miss FANNY HUGHES.

MITTEN—LARCOCK.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 12, at his residence, No. 80 12th-st., by Rev. John Brash, Mr. GEORGE A. MITTEN to Miss MARGARET LARCOCK.

CORNELISON—POTTER.—In this City, on Monday evening, Jan. 12, by Rev. Mr. BURGE, JOHN CORNELISON to Miss JANE POTTER, both of this City.

DONOHUE—BECKUS.—In Williamsburg, on Sunday, May 11, 1856, by Rev. R. W. Collier, PETER J. O. DONOHUE to EMMA M., daughter of Charles Beckus, Esq., all of Williamsburg.

DIED.

CONKLIN.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 12, at the residence of his father-in-law, L. W. Stevens, Esq., Mr. ALFRED CONKLIN, aged 28 years.

His remains will be taken to Farmington, Conn., for interment.

PLUMMER.—In this City, on Monday evening, Jan. 12, of scarlet fever, ALBERT FREEMAN, third child of Rev. Gardiner Spring and Emily Augusta Plumley, aged 2 years, 6 months and 21 days.

The funeral service will be held at the residence of his father, No. 104 West 40th-st., this day, (Wednesday,) 14th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

LINDSY.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 13, of scarlet fever, CHARLOTTE, infant daughter of James S. and Hannah M. Lindsy, aged 2 months.

The funeral will take place to-day, (Wednesday,) at 1 o'clock P. M. The friends of the family are requested to attend, without further invitation, at No. 88 West 33d-st.

FLANDY.—In this City, on Tuesday morning, Jan. 12, of malignant scarlatina, JOHN FLANDY, aged 7 years, 6 months and 6 days.

The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, this day, (Wednesday,) at 2 o'clock P. M. from his father's residence, No. 1,002 Broadway, to Calvary Cemetery.

SCOTT.—In this City, on Monday, Jan. 12, Mrs. CATHERINE H. SCOTT, relict of the late Patrick Scott, in the 57th year of her age.

The friends of the family, and those of her sons, Eugene H. and Cornelius M. Sullivan, also the New-York and Sandy Hook Pilots, and the members of the Pilot Club, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from St. Andrew's Church, (Oliver Holt-place,) on Thursday, the 15th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M. The funeral service will commence at 11 o'clock A. M. Her remains will be taken to the 11th-st. Cemetery for interment.

New-Orleans papers please copy.

BARNARD.—In Brooklyn, on Tuesday, Jan. 12, at 1 o'clock, Mrs. MARY BARNARD, widow of William Barnard, late of Hartford, Conn. The immediate cause of her death was injuries received by her from coming under a car of wagon while crossing Fulton-st., on Monday evening, Dec. 22.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, at her late residence, No. 12 Bedford-st., this day, (Wednesday,) Jan. 14, at 2 o'clock P. M. Her remains will be taken to Hartford for interment.

Hartford papers please copy.

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HEMMING.—At Meredith Corners, near Cooperstown, Penn., on Saturday, Jan. 3, MARGARET H., wife of Seth H. Meredith, in the 40th year of her age.

HOUGHTON.—At Litchfield, Conn., on Friday, Jan. 4, ANNA CHANNING, wife of Epes Sargent, and daughter of the late Gen. Jeremiah Huntington, of New-London, aged 76 years.

HOOKER.—At Litchfield, Conn., on Sunday, Jan. 11, JANE, wife of Samuel M. Hooker.

EMMIN.—In Stuttgart, Germany, on Wednesday, Dec. 31, of scarlet fever, FLORENCE LOUISA EMMIN, only and beloved child of Gottlob and Charlotte N. Emmin, and granddaughter of Mrs. A. Meguiry, aged 3 years and 6 months.

COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange, JAN. 13.

$1,400 Indiana 6s	94¼	100	Harlem R. R.	s3	15¾
4,000 Virginia 6s	s3 90	100	do	s3	15¾
1,000 Cal. St. 7s, '75	74	100	do	s3	15¾
3,000 Missouri State 6s	88¼	100	do	b5	15¾
100 N. Y. Cent. R. R.	97	100	do	b60	15¾
4,000 Erie R. Con. Bs '71	86¼	50	Reading R. R.	s	84¾
1,000 do	89	765	do	s	84¾
2,000 Hud. R. Bdl. 1st M.	89	100	do	b30	84¾
500 do	89¾	200	do	s30	84¾
3,000 Ill. Cent. RR. Bs. c3	87¼	200	do	s10	84¾
5,000 do	b60	87¼	100	do	s3	84¾
7,000 do	87¼	400	do	s3	84¾
1,000 Ter. Ha. & Al. 2d M.	73¼	40	Mich. Cen. Rd.	98¾
5,000 L. H. & W. 1st M. Bs.	71	150	do	94
31 Bank of Commerce	108¾	150	do	b60	94¾
40 Bank. Com. Scrip	108¾	100	do	95¾
5 Metropolitan Bank	105¾	150	M. S. & N. I. Rd.	s30	88¼
25 do	107	200	do	s10	88¼
30 Bank. & Trad. Bank	106	200	do	b10	89
50 Park Bank	98	125	do	c	89¾
25 Del. & H. Ca. Co.	179	20	do	c	87¾
160 Gum Coal Co.	c 17	50	do	s3	87¾
25 Pavne Coal Co.	16¼	50	do	s3	88¾
500 do	b60	100	do	s3	88¾
100 do	b60	93¾	212	Clev. & Pitts. R.	54
97 do	93¾	200	Cleve. & Tol. R.	s3	97¼
700 do	s	93¾	400	do	s3	97¼
200 do	b15	93¾	1100	do	97¼
100 do	b10	93¾	100	do	b60	76
100 do	s3	93¾	20	do	s3	77¾
100 do	c	93¾	488	Chi. & R. I. R.	s3	96¾
100 do	b45	93	50	do	b60	97¾
50 Hud. Riv. R. R.	b3	29¾	100	L. C. & Mil. R. R.	74¼
100 do	b30	29	100	do	b60	74¾
50 do	s5	29¾	100	do	b60	74¾
65 Gal. & Chi. R. R.	131¼				

SECOND BOARD.

$500 Virginia 6s	90	100	Reading RR.	s30	84
400 do	89¾	100	do	b10	84¾
2,500 Cal. St. 7s, '75	65	100	do	b3	84
1,000 Ill. Cen. R. bs	s90	97¾	600	do	83¾
3,000 Te. H. & Al. 2d m.	72¼	500	do	s60	83¾
5,000 Erie RR. Bs. '75	84¼	200	Clev. & Tol. R. R.	77¾
200 Cumb. Coal Co.	s3	21¼	200	do	b3	77¾
450 Erie Railroad	s5	62¾	100	do	77¾
100 do	s10	62¾	100	Chi. & Ric. Is. R.	s10	97
300 N. Y. Cent. RR.	98¾	22	do	97
100 Ill. Cent. R. R.	b15	120¾	50	Mil. & Miss. R. R.	76
100 do	120¾	50	Cleve. & Pitts. RR.	58¾
25 Gal. & Chi. RR.	131¼				

TUESDAY, Jan 13—P. M.

The Annual Report of the Auditor of the Canal Department of the State of New-York, to some of the figures of which we made brief reference the other day, is an ably compiled and highly interesting view of the Canal Finances, and has an important bearing on the Public Debt of the State, the greater portion of which has been contracted for Canal purposes. The original Canal Debt is *now reduced to $18,223,704. The new Enlargement* Debt is (or will be when the last million is awarded on the 15th inst.) $11,000,000. The average interest charge on the former is 5.51 ⅌ cent. On the latter 6 ⅌ cent., except on half a million borrowed at 5 ⅌ cent. The Canals are thus made a yearly charge upon the State for accruing interest of $1,347,198. The net revenues from the Canals in 1856 were $1,962,500. This income, however, is specifically appropriated under the Constitution of 1846 in the order, first, $1,700,000 a year to the Interest and Principal of the original Canal Debt of the year 1855. The previous appropriation—that is, from 1846 to 1855—was $1,300,000. Secondly, $350,000 to the support of the General Fund Debt of the State, issued for other than Canal purposes, and which amounts, on all classes of liabilities of the State, to $7,275,654. Thirdly, this General Debt contribution is to be raised to $1,500,000 a year for the extinguishment of the principal, after the original Canal Debt is paid off, or provided for, as it will be in 1866, if the net Canal revenues do not fall below $1,700,000. And, lastly, $1,027,000 a year to the Enlargement Debt. There is also a contingent Constitutional appropriation of $200,000 a year out of the Canal revenues to the support of the State Government.

To render the Canals, in any real sense, a tax upon the people, the revenues would have to fall below $1,347,198, or the annual interest charge upon the whole Canal Debt. This is $615,307 *below* the resulting income of 1856. To make the Canals answer to all the constitutional appropriations of its revenues, the income required should be $3,277,000 a year, or $1,315,000 *above* the actual result of last year. As the primary provision is for the payment and early liquidation of the original Canal Debt, the practical effect is that while this Debt is being paid off by the Sinking Fund from the operation of the $1,700,000 a year first set aside out of the Canal revenues, the Enlargement Debt must be supported by new loans on the credit of the Sinking Fund, or else by direct taxation. There is no particular inconvenience in the first of these plans, while the equity of first retiring the principal of the original Canal Debt out of the net revenues is undoubted.

With these explanations, it becomes interesting to turn to the operation of the Canal revenues the past year, under the system of keeping the works in repair by contract, instead of general superintendence, as heretofore:

The Canal revenues of 1855 in gross were	$2,639,792
Superintendence, repairs and collection	969,793
Net income of 1855	$1,650,000
Revenues for 1856 in gross	$2,749,186
Superintendence, repairs, &c	786,686
Net income of 1856	$1,962,500
To Canal Sinking Fund	$1,700,000
General Fund	262,500—$1,962,500

Of the Canal debt, proper, $4,000,000 was renewed last year to fall due in 1874. The entire $18,223,704, and the accruing interest to April, 1866, will have been provided for, in case the net income from the Canals should continue equal to $1,700,000 a year. Whether the $4,000,000 will then be paid off, or the money put in the Sinking Fund for accumulation, it would now be premature to consider. The first of the Enlargement Loans will fall due in 1872.

The *George Law*, from Aspinwall, with the California mails and treasure of Dec. 20, arrived at an early hour this forenoon. Her Gold list is $1,269,000. The steamer on the Pacific side brought down, in addition, $494,000 for England, and $40,000 for New-Orleans. The receipts of Gold dust at San Francisco had been light during the fortnight on account of the wintry weather at the mines. Bars were scarce, and there was also a general complaint of the scarcity of Money. Most of the present remittance comes forward in Gold coin. The regularity of the issue of State Bonds had been tested before the Supreme Court, and the fact that the several loans had not been passed upon and sanctioned by direct vote of the people was pronounced a Constitutional defect. Of course the irregularity will be corrected through a direct popular vote, which must be ordered by resolve of the Legislature now, or soon to be, in session. The *Shipping Register* takes this view of the subject:

[illegible] further extension of the State debt by the expenditure of an appropriation of $100,000, made by the last Legislature, for the survey of a wagon road to the Sierra Nevada mountains.

The Court, in citing the eighth article of the Constitution, which expressly prohibits the Legislature from creating any debt beyond the sum of $300,000, unless sanctioned by an express vote of the people at a general election, declares that the whole of the existing State debt, over and above the said sum of $300,000, is unconstitutional, no part of the same having been submitted to a "vote of the people."

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The December receipts of the New-York and Harlem Railroad, were $109,102, in 1856, against $81,182, in 1855.

The Irving Savings' Institution will pay their usual dividend on and after Monday next, 19th inst.

Boston Weekly Bank Statement.

BOSTON, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

The following are the footings of the Boston Weekly Bank Statement:

Capital Stock	$61,869,000
Loans and Discounts	83,441,000
Specie	2,069,000
Due from other Banks	4,863,000
Due to other Banks	5,096,000
Deposits	14,488,000
Circulation	7,332,000

Markets...*Carefully reported for N. Y. Daily Times.*

NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Jan. 13—6 P. M.

ASHES—Are in fair supply and demand at, however, rather lower quotations. Pearls, $7 87½@8; Pots, $7 75@7 87½, ⅌ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—The demand is pretty brisk; prices are well sustained. Java, 14c.@14½c.; Laguayra, 11¾c.@19c.; Maracaibo, 11½c.@12½c.; Rio, 9c.@11½c.; and St. Domingo, at 10½c. ⅌ lb.

COTTON—The market is moderately active and firm, though most buyers claim a reduction from our figures:

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile.	New-Orleans. Texas.
Ordinary	11¼	11¼	11¼	11¼
Middling	12¼	12¼	12¼	12¼
Middling Fair	13¼	13¼	14¼	14¼
Fair	14	14¼	14¼	14¼

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market for State and Western Flour shows less animation and rather more firmness, sales having been reported of only about 7,000 bbls., in lots, mainly at prices within the annexed range:

Ordinary State	$6 [illegible]	$6 [illegible]
Straight State	6 [illegible]	6 [illegible]
Favorite and Extra State	6 [illegible]	6 [illegible]
Common to Good Indiana & Upper Lake	6 30@	6 [illegible]
Common to Good Superfine Ohio	6 62½@	6 75
Fancy Michigan	6 50@	6 75
Extra Michigan	6 62½@	7 25
Extra Indiana and Wisconsin	6 62½@	7 50
Extra Ohio	6 75@	8 50
Extra Genesee	6 62½@	7 00
Extra Missouri	7 00@	8 75
Canadian	6 75@	8 75

Canadian is scarce and heavy. Superfine to extra is worth from $6 [illegible]@$7 62½ ⅌ bbl.; 250 bbls. found buyers within the range. Southern is unchanged. The transactions since our last comprise about 900 bbls. low Mixed to Fancy and [illegible] at $6 [illegible] and $6 [illegible] bbl. Rye Flour is scarce [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Corn Meal is in good request [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Wheat is in good request [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Corn is in fair request and is worth 70c.@70½c. for sound yellow, and 68c. for damaged. Oats are in pretty good demand, and to-day we quote at 41c.@42c. for very inferior to choice ⅌ bushel. Rye is in good request at 90c.@92c. for very inferior to choice. Barley and Malt are in good request at 80c.@85c. ⅌ bushel. Corn is moderately inquired for at rising prices. The sales reported to-day of only about 8,000 bushels, at 67c.@70c. for mixed; 70c.@72c. for mixed to choice; 71c.@72c. for new Southern Yellow and new Southern White, and 73c.@[illegible] for old Southern and Southern Yellow and White mixed.

PROVISIONS—Pork is good demand at improved prices, with sales reported since our last of about [illegible] bbls., in lots, at $19 50¼@$19 75 for old [illegible] $20 25@$20 37½ for new do., and $17 37½@[illegible] for new Prime, ⅌ bbl. No old Prime offering. [illegible] Hogs being in lots, 6¾c.@6¾c. ⅌ lb. Cut [illegible] are in moderate supply and demand, at 8¾c.@[illegible] 10¾c. for Hams, and 7¾c.@8c. for Shoulders, ⅌ lb. Bacon is in pretty brisk request for immediate and future delivery, and it is quite firm, at from 10c.@[illegible] 11¾c. ⅌ lb. Lard is dull and drooping. The transactions since our last reach about 300 bbls. and tcs. Bbls. for Prime, at 12¾c.@12¾c. ⅌ lb. Beef is in good demand at very full rates. The transactions since our last consist of 450 bbls. at $9@$10 for Mess; [illegible] $15 25 for Country Mess; $19 50@$19 75 for [illegible] do.; $24 50@$25 for Extra Chicago Mess, and $16 [illegible] extra do. do., ⅌ bbl. New Prime Mess Beef is [illegible] ble and steady at $26@$26 ⅌ tc. Beef Hams are scarce and quiet at $17 50@$18 ⅌ bbl. Butter is in fair request and is worth 16c.@16c. for [illegible] 20c.@20c. for common to very good State, and [illegible] @27½c. for prime to very choice do., ⅌ lb. Cheese is in moderate supply and request, at 9½c.@10½c. [illegible]

RICE—Sales transpired to-day of about 100 tierces, at 6c. ⅌ lb. Tierces $5 [illegible]@$5 [illegible]

SUGARS—Are scarce and firmer, being needed by purchasers. Sales have been reported since our last of about 300 hhds. Cuba, &c., in lots, at from [illegible] 10¼c.; and 270 boxes Havana, at 9¾c.@[illegible]. Refined Sugars in lively demand and are tending upwards. The Messrs. STUART quote their [illegible] thus: Loaf, 13¼c.; Crushed, 13c.; Ground, 13[illegible]; Circle A—Crushed, 12½c., ⅌ lb.

FREIGHTS—Were pretty brisk, but inform and irregular. For Liverpool, Cotton, 2-16d.@7-32d. ⅌ lb.; Flour, 2s. 3d.@2s. 6d. ⅌ bbl.; Grain, 7d.@8d. ⅌ bush. Beef, 4s. 6d. ⅌ tc.; Resin, 2s. 3d.@2s. 6d. ⅌ bbl., and Heavy Goods, 25s.@30s. ⅌ ton. For other ports proportionate rates.

Spirit of the Trade Circulars.

A. P. DE LUZE'S FLOUR AND GRAIN CIRCULAR.

Per Niagara.] NEW-YORK, Monday Evening, Jan. 12.

FLOUR—State and Western—By last report was of the 6th inst. per *Europa*. We are since in possession of advices per *North American* at Portland, and date at this port, with Liverpool dates to 26th ult. [illegible] only a fair inquiry for export and the home trade; slight fluctuations in prices have been experienced. Since the receipt of the *Asia's* advices, the turn of the market has been in favor of holders—the closing rates showing an improvement in most descriptions of about 10c. ⅌ bbl.

WHEAT—Much firmness has been manifested by holders of desirable parcels, which have continued in fair request for export, principally to Spain. Shipping business is greatly impeded, owing to the obstruction to navigation by ice in our harbor.

INDIAN CORN—We had a heavy market for mixed for a day or two subsequent to my last, and prices slightly receded. An improvement has since been realized—the closing rates showing an improvement of 2c.@3c. on the week.

RYE—With a continued light supply, little has been done—market nominal at 90c.@92c. ⅌ 56 lbs.

PRESENTS—*To London. Flour* 2s. 10½d.@[illegible] ⅌ bbl. Liverpool. Flour 2s. 6d. ⅌ bbl.; Grain 7d.@[illegible] ⅌ bushel. Hayre, Flour 60c.@70c. ⅌ bbl.; Grain [illegible] ⅌ bushel. Marseilles, Flour 90c. ⅌ bbl.; Grain [illegible] @23c. ⅌ bushel. Lisbon, Flour 90c. ⅌ bbl.; Grain [illegible] 20c. ⅌ bushel. Cadiz, Flour $1 ⅌ bbl.; Grain [illegible] ⅌ bushel. Santander, Flour $1; Grain 24c.@25c.

Markets by Telegraph.

CHARLESTON, Monday, Jan. 12.

COTTON sales to-day, 1,100 bales, at unchanged prices.

Philadelphia Stock Board.

PHILADELPHIA, Tuesday, Jan. 13.

Stocks steady. Pennsylvania Fives, [illegible] Reading Railroad, 42; Long Island Railroad, [illegible] Morris Canal, 35½; Pennsylvania Railroad, 47½.

Passengers Arrived.

In steamship George Law, from Aspinwall—Mr. [illegible] L. Bray and 3 children, W. A. Bray, Dr. Mitchill, [illegible] N. R. A. Swain, R. Taylor, Edward Flint, Judge Baker, Capt. Harris, Capt. Floyd Jones, U. S. A., Dr. Milhau, S. A., Wm. Keyes and lady, 3 children and servant, [illegible] F. Adams, Mrs. Buckley, A. H. May, D. W. Hull, [illegible] Clute, Mr. Hess, lady and 3 children, W. H. Stevens, [illegible] Steinhart, W. W. Ward, Mrs. Washington and 2 children, Mrs. E. Briggs, M. McCreight, H. Corlett, S. Whitcomb, W. D. Hall, R. M. Barstow, Chas. J. Warner, A. [illegible] mier, J. Neuchauder, J. Henecke, M. Gallagher and [illegible] 3 children and servant, M. Andrews and lady, N. Parker, Rev. M. Butler, Mrs. Hallowell and son, M. Dennison, [illegible] Corvine, (bacgage master,) Miss Metcalf, Master Metcalf, Miss Metcalf, C. H. Dutaro, G. N. Williams, Chas. Williams, A. Hartze, A. E. Snyder, A. Joseph, A. [illegible] maker, E. Opdyke, R. L. Ritchie, V. Ritchie, J. N. [illegible] choce, Mrs. Kossm and daughter, A. P. Skinner, M. [illegible] den, lady and child, S. Carranza and lady, H. Cook, [illegible] B. Myers, F. Flandere, C. Flandere, Mrs. A. H. Dennis, [illegible] S. H. Collins, M. L. Thomas, E. Hoopes, G. F. Sperry, [illegible] Hersed, S. Franssum, H. T. Trame, A. S. Boyd, J. Kelly, Mrs. N. H. Clark, H. Hastings, F. W. Sherwood, [illegible] Mackin, F. Grosier, C. Wheelock, A. R. Case, W. C. [illegible] P. Hare, J. Cook, lady and 6 children, C. Smith and lady, [illegible] M. J. Curran, M. McIlvain, M. Marechal, J. C. Bates, [illegible] S. Libby, J. H. Townsend, M. Rodriguez, M. Harris, and others in cabin.

In steamship Empire City, from New-Orleans—[illegible] *Havana*—From New-Orleans—J. Latham, E. S. Pratt, W. Simmons, S. S. Barnes, Chas. Andrews, Thos. Ward. From Havana—Samuel Smith, (mail agent.) [illegible] and, A. de Jean, A. M. Muller, J. J. Vannerdis, [illegible] and child, and others in the steerage.

In steamship Kangaroo, from Liverpool—Capt. [illegible] and E. Ellis, J. P. McIlraith, Robert Tuple, Mrs. R. Tuple, E. H. Gardner, Thomas Owens.

In steamship Marion, from Charleston—Mrs. N. Lloyd, Miss L. Post, Miss J. Orcutt, Mrs. Blake, Capt. S. C. Tucker, W. Eves, A. Carll, C. Grindley, James Keiso, J. Harbeson, Mr. Willig, and 16 in the steerage.

In steamship Augusta, from Savannah—J. R. Wright, Mrs. H. E. Stoletsury, and 2 children, Dr. Cook, E. M. Wilson, Mr. Palmer, R. F. Pierce, S. A. Holt, J. T. Banks and lady, H. H. Stoddard, Lieut. E. C. Hyde, W. E. Plumb, Zach. Mewshom, H. P. Clark, and 39 in the steerage.

In brig Anita Owen, from Nuevitas—Dr. Range, A. Guerra.

MISCELLANEOUS ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises..... 7 22| Sun sets..... 4 35| Moon rises. [illegible]

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook... 3 55| Gov. Island.11 40| Hell Gate. [illegible]

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....TUESDAY, Jan. 13.

Cleared.

Ship J. A. Westervelt, Austin, Liverpool, Taylor & Rich. Barks Elise Rubke, (Rus.) Boysen, London, E. Kanz. Rosario, Rosario, Port-au-Prince, Holker & Mohlmann. Hilda, (Br.) Evans, Bristol, Funch, H. & H. W. Meyer. Thomas Curtis, Edwards, Sagua la Grande, Russell & Vining.

Brigs Favorite Lass, (Br.) Burnell, St. Johns, Boome & Dinsdale; Jane Sprout, (Br.) Stanger, Gambia, J. A. Machado; Sutton, Joy, Havana, Bostock & Benjamin; Lucretia, Walters, Cardenas, G. L. Coit & Peters.

Schooners W. H. Gilliland, Erickson, Charleston, Dollner & Potter; R. S. Johnston, Watson, Newbern, N. C., J. E. Johnson & Co.; Amanda, Davis, W. W. Baker; L. Scranton, Lowden, Savannah, Scranton & Tallman.

Arrived.

Steamship Ericsson, Lawlor, Liverpool Dec. 23, with mdse. and passengers to E. K. Collins & Co. Experienced heavy gales from W. all the passage; been 9 ds. W. of the Banks.

Steamship Empire City, Griffin, New-Orleans Jan. [illegible] and Havana 9th, with mdse. and passengers to M. [illegible] Roberts, 8th, lat. 36 46, lon. 70 0, saw a dismasted sloop with mark J. E. Williams, 16th, lat. 39 12, lon. 72 48, saw brig Enoch Train, and a bark show